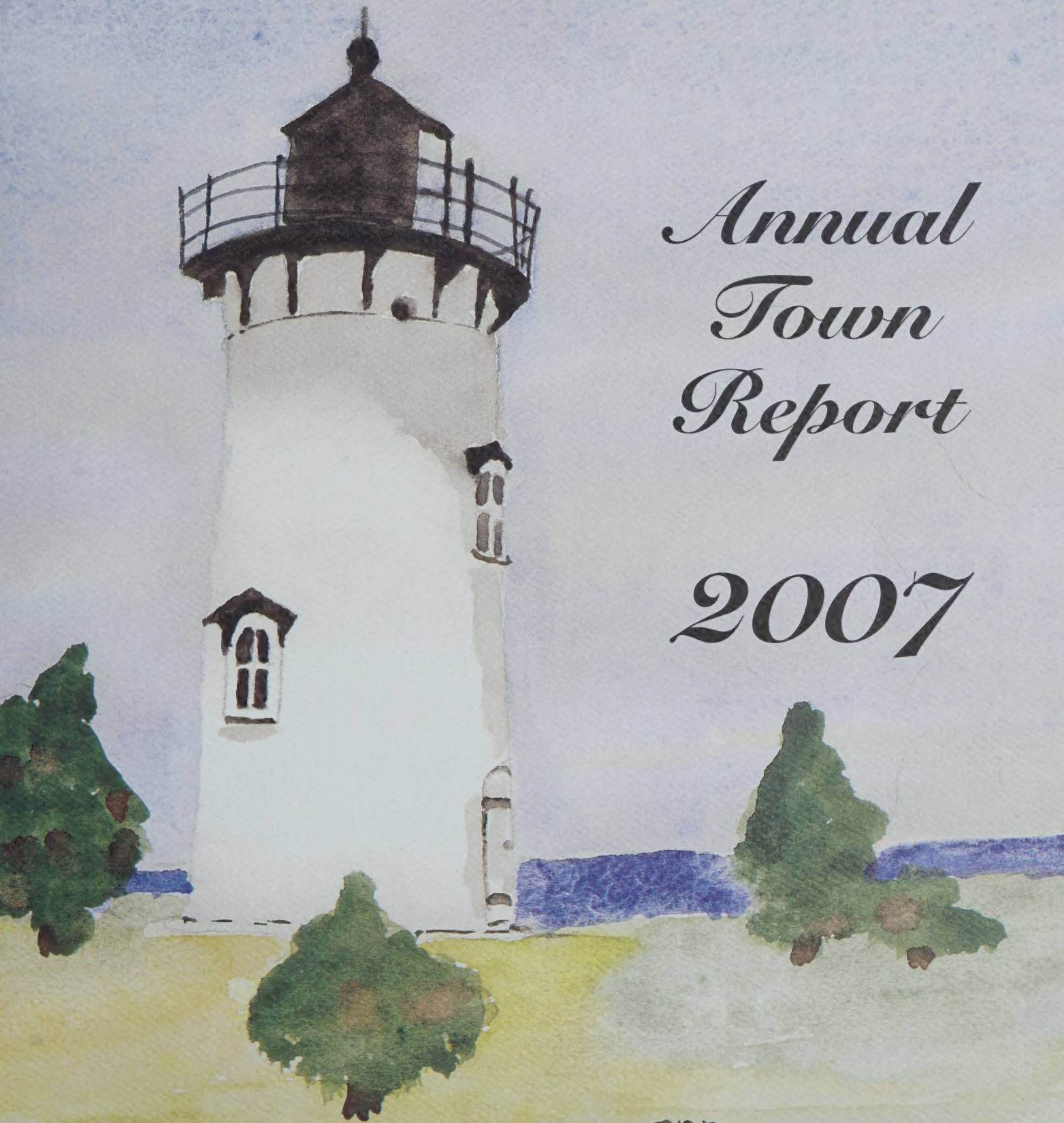



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Continuing in our series of Town Report covers by local artists...

Polly Renear has lived on the Island for over fifty years, the last twenty in Oak Bluffs. After working many years for Dr. David Rappaport, she now spends her time painting water colors of the Vineyard, sewing and making quilts.

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IN MEMORIAM

We respectfully remember those citizens who gave of themselves and
their talents to serve Oak Bluffs.

ORLAND ALWARDT

Park Department
Highway Department
Fire Department

RUTH HUGHES

Park Commissioner
Planning Board
Town Treasurer

HERBERT TUCKER

Martha's Vineyard Commission

2007

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County Commissioners

John S. Alley - West Tisbury (08)

Leslie Leland - West Tisbury (10)

Paul A. Strauss - Oak Bluffs (10)

Roger W. Wey - Oak Bluffs (08)

Leonard Jason, Jr. - Chilmark (08)

Tristan R. Israel - Tisbury (10)

Carlene Gating - Edgartown (10)

County Charter Commissioners

Timothy K. Connelly - Edgartown

Mimi Davisson - Oak Bluffs

Arthur Edward Flathers - Tisbury

Daniel A. Flynn - Oak Bluffs

Richard R. Knabel - West Tisbury

Patricia W. Moore - West Tisbury

Nora M. Nevin - Tisbury

James Newman - Aquinnah

Willian F. O'Brien III - Oak Bluffs

Linda Bauer Sibley - West Tisbury

Ted Stanley - West Tisbury

Woodrow W. Williams - Tisbury

Tad Crawford - West Tisbury

Jeff Kristal - Tisbury

Holly Stephenson - Tisbury

TOWN OFFICERS

TOWN OFFICERS 2007

Moderator

David F. Richardson 2008

Members of the Board of Selectman

Kerry F. Scott, Chairman 2010
 Roger W. Wey 2009
 Gregory Coogan 2009
 Duncan Ross 2008
 Ronald L. DiOrio 2008

Town Clerk

Deborah deB. Ratcliff 2008

Members of the Board of Health

David Caron 2010
 William White 2009
 Patricia Bergeron, Chairman 2008

Park Commissioners

Richard Combra, Jr. 2010
 Allan A. deBettencourt 2009
 Michael Marchand 2008

Cemetery Commissioners

James Maseda 2010
 Jesse B. Law III 2008

Constables

David Oliveira 2010
 Sharon Rzemien 2010

Tree Warden

Joseph M. deBettencourt 2009

School Committee

Lisa Anne Reagan 2010
 Judith Ann O'Donoghue 2009
 Priscilla L. Sylvia 2008

Martha's Vineyard Land Bank Commission

Priscilla L. Sylvia 2010

Member of the Martha's Vineyard Commission

Mimi Davisson 2008
 Richard J. Toole 2008

Finance and Advisory Committee

Douglas F. Best	2010
Thad Harshbarger, Chairman	2010
Arthur W. McGrath, Jr.	2010
Peter Palches	2009
Frank H. Case III	2009
Mimi Davisson	2009
Adam Wilson	2008
Michael Perry, Vice Chairman	2008
Joseph Alosso	2008

Planning Board

James Westervelt	2012
Erik Albert	2011
Kyle Fiore	2010
John C. Bradford, Chairman	2009
David Wessling	2008

Wastewater Commission

Robert A. Iadicicco	2010
Hans von Steiger	2009
Richard D. Combra	2008

Water District Officers 2007

Moderator

Duncan Ross	2010
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Commissioners

Michael S. deBettencourt	2010
Kevin H. Johnson	2009
Raymond J. Moreis, Jr	2008

APPOINTMENTS

January 1, 2007 - December 31, 2007

Town Administrator		
Michael M. Dutton		June 30, 2009
Assistant Town Accountant		
Karen Gomez		June 30, 2008
Affordable Housing Committee		
Harvey Beth		Open Ended
John Bradford		Open Ended
Ronald DiOrio		Open Ended
Ann Margetson		Open Ended
James Rankin		Resigned
Priscilla Sylvia		Open Ended
James Westervelt		Open Ended
Animal Control Officer		
Heather Jaglowski		Open Ended
Board of Assessors		
Marie B. Allen		June 30, 2009
Melanie M. Bilodeau		June 30, 2008
Jesse B. Law, III		June 30, 2009
Cape Light Compact		
Alice Ryan Butler		June 30, 2010
Director of Emergency Management		
Peter M. Martell		June 30, 2010
Community Development Council		
Sally L. Appenzellar		June 30, 2008
Rene Balter		June 30, 2008
Nancy F. Phillips		June 30, 2008
Iona Pressley		June 30, 2008
Alison Shaw		June 30, 2010
Paul A. Strauss		Resigned
Priscilla Sylvia		June 30, 2008
Richard Westcott		June 30, 2010
James Westervelt		June 30, 2008
Community Preservation Act Commission		
Harvey Beth		June 30, 2008
Allan DeBettencourt		June 30, 2010
Stephen Durkee		June 30, 2007
Joan Hughes		June 30, 2008
Peter Martell		June 30, 2009
Charles Rock		June 30, 2010
Cheryll Sashin		June 30, 2010
Alison Shaw		June 30, 2008

Conservation Commission

John M. Boardman	Resigned
John Breckenridge	June 30, 2009
Robert Ford	June 30, 2010
Joan Hughes	June 30, 2010
Caleb Nicholson	June 30, 2009
Paul A. Strauss	Resigned

Copeland Plan District Review Board

Renee Balter	Open Ended
Ron DiOrio	Open Ended
Injy Farak Lew	Open Ended
Ann Margetson	Open Ended
Ronald H. Mechur	Open Ended
Robyn B. Nash	Open Ended
Kerry Scott	Open Ended
Judy Shemit	Open Ended
Patricia Wallace	Open Ended
David Wessling	Open Ended
Barbara Whitmore	Open Ended

Cottage City Historical Commission

Renee Balter	June 30, 2009
Barbara Baskin	June 30, 2009
James N. C. Brown	June 30, 2008
Kathleen A. Burton	June 30, 2008
M. Elizabeth Cornell	June 30, 2008
Pamela Melrose	June 30, 2008
David Wessling	June 30, 2010
S. David Wilson	June 30, 2008
Alison Shaw, Alternate	
Priscilla Sylvia, Alternate	

Council on Aging

Karen Achille	June 30, 2010
Diane Ball	Resigned
Glenna Barkan	June 30, 2009
Marge Chesnard, Alternate	June 30, 2010
Patricia M. Dorsey	June 30, 2010
Curt Gear	June 30, 2009
Linda Marinelli	June 30, 2009
Elizabeth Marshall, Alternate	June 30, 2010
James McLauren	June 30, 2010
Helen Scarborough, Alternate	June 30, 2009
Dianne Wilson	Resigned

Town Counsel

Ronald H. Rappaport	Open Ended
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Dukes County Regional Housing Authority

Harvey Beth	Open Ended
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Energy Committee

Elizabeth Durkee	June 30, 2010
William C. Sullivan	June 30, 2010

Paul Manzi	Finance Director	June 30, 2008
Dennis P. Alley Gilbert Forend	Fire Chief	Retired June 30, 2010
Barry Bissailon	Fire Inspector	June 30, 2009
Michael Jackson Francis Kuszewski	Gas Inspector	June 30, 2008 June 30, 2008
Rene BenDavid John Breckenridge James J. Dorsey Barbara A. Gibson Stephen Morris David Pothier Frederic A. Sonnenberg	Harbor Management Committee	June 30, 2008 June 30, 2010 June 30, 2008 June 30, 2008 June 30, 2009 June 30, 2008 June 30, 2008
Todd Alexander	Harbormaster	Open Ended
David Grunden	Assistant Harbormaster	Open Ended
David Grunden Deacon Perotta	Herring Run Committee	Open Ended Open Ended
Renee Balter Joyce Dresser Pamela Melrose Alison Shaw Priscilla L. Sylvia Susan E. Thompson S. David Wilson	Historical Committee	June 30, 2008 June 30, 2008 June 30, 2008 June 30, 2008 June 30, 2008 June 30, 2008 June 30, 2008
Jerry Wiener	Inspector of Buildings and Zoning	June 30, 2008
Richard Combra, Jr.	Joint Transportation Committee	Open Ended
Peter Dawley	Inspector of Wiring	Open Ended
Karen Achilles Richard Ball Harvey John Beth Robert Ford Beatrice J. Green Lloyd Henke Ann Ross	Library Board of Trustees	June 30, 2009 Resigned June 30, 2010 June 30, 2009 June 30, 2009 June 30, 2009 June 30, 2008

Martha's Vineyard Commission

John R. Breckenridge
Richard Toole
Mimi Davisson

December 31, 2008
December 31, 2008
December 31, 2008

Martha's Vineyard Steamship Authority Port Council

Robert V. Huss

December 31, 2009

Martha's Vineyard Land Bank Advisory Committee

Polly Bassett
John Campbell
Richard F. Coutinho
Elizabeth D. Durkee
Robert Hammett
Ann Margetson

Open Ended
Open Ended
Open Ended
Open Ended
Open Ended
Open Ended

Martha's Vineyard Regional Transit Authority

Alice Ryan Butler

June 30, 2010

Ocean Park Committee

Gail M. Barmakian
Nancy Billings
Richard Combra, Jr.
Allan A. deBettencourt
Michael S. deBettencourt
Joan Hughes
John W. Leite, III
Priscilla L. Sylvia
Judith Williamson

Open Ended
Open Ended
Open Ended
Open Ended
Open Ended
Open Ended
Open Ended
Open Ended
Open Ended

Park Commissioners

Richard Combra, Jr.
Allan deBettencourt
Michael Marchand

April, 2010
April, 2009
April, 2009

Personnel Board

Mimi Davisson
Carl Green
John Lolley

June 30, 2008
June 30, 2009
June 30, 2008

Plumbing Inspector

Francis Kuszewski

June 30, 2008

Chief of Police

Erik G. Blake

June 30, 2008

Board of Registrars

Kathryn P. Collins
Deborah deB Ratcliff
Patricia A. Ingalls
Margaret A. Stafursky

June 30, 2008
Open Ended
June 30, 2009
June 30, 2010

Shellfish Committee

John M. Gibson
Paul Humber
Mark G. Landers

June 30, 2009
June 30, 2009
June 30, 2009

Joseph Leonardo, III	June 30, 2009
Raymond Moreis, Jr.	June 30, 2009
Earl V. Peters	June 30, 2009

Shellfish Constable

David W. Grunden	June 30, 2009
Peter Estrella	

Sign Review Committee

John Bradford	June 30, 2009
Richard Combra, Jr.	
Alan J. Schweikert	June 30, 2009
Alison Shaw	June 30, 2009
Joseph Uranker	

Town Treasurer

Paul Manzi	Open Ended
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Assistant Town Treasurer

Sharon Jackson	September 20, 2008
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Veteran's Agent

JoAnn Murphy	Open Ended
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Zoning Board of Appeals

Gail M. Barmakan	June 30, 2009
Kris Chvatal	June 30, 2010
Jane E. Lofgren	June 30, 2009
Joseph Re, Alternate	June 30, 2009
Nicholas Trentacost	June 30, 2009
Michael Underwood	June 30, 2009
George Warren	June 30, 2009

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

Greetings to all the Residents of Oak Bluffs:

2007 was an exciting time for Oak Bluffs. There's a strong sense all around Town that we are moving in many of the right directions. I thank my colleagues—Vice Chairman Ron DiOrio, Greg Coogan, Duncan Ross and Roger Wey—for their service.

This is a challenging time, fiscally speaking. We are affected by a national economic slow-down, with impacts on our Town budget from events we can't control. Just as in our own households, costs we cannot avoid, including insurance, fuel, and health benefits, are escalating all the time.

With Michael Dutton, our Town Administrator, the Selectmen are looking at all the ways we can best provide excellent service, improve our infrastructure, take care of our properties and investments, and provide for our future. We are working with all the boards and committees in Town to provide quality government services. We are committed as well to the careful stewardship of our human capital—the people who work for our Town, the many residents who serve on boards and committees, and our volunteer Fire Department.

The Capital Development Committee, our advisory 'think tank', has undertaken a cost of service analysis so that the Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee may make informed decisions about the way we provide services and which of those services deliver the best value. At the same time, we are aggressively seeking new revenue streams in order to diminish our reliance on property taxes.

Our Board of Selectmen has demonstrated its concern for Town employees. We conducted a Classification and Compensation Survey to strengthen our human resources functions. The Board of Selectmen is grateful for the Personnel Committee's extraordinary efforts to assure Town employees that their service is not only appreciated, it is appropriately compensated.

The Board of Selectmen has demonstrated its commitment to neighborhoods. We have worked with restaurants and bars to limit the intrusion of noise from Circuit Avenue into nearby neighborhoods. With the assis-

tance of the Capital Development Committee, we are quantifying and regulating home businesses, ensuring that these businesses can thrive without creating quality of life issues for their neighbors. We hope to establish a contractors' yard, so equipment can be kept outside residential neighborhoods. The Parking and Traffic Committee is addressing the issue of parking in downtown neighborhoods, which is for some of our residents a major intrusion and inconvenience.

We created a committee to look out for the interests of neighbors of the Martha's Vineyard Hospital during the very ambitious hospital construction project. This committee serves as a bridge between nearby hospital neighborhoods and the construction team, with broad responsibility for recognizing and serving the needs of neighbors during a time of hard-to-imagine disruption. It is working beautifully, with communication, information-sharing, and good will. We hope it will become a model for committees in other parts of Town that may have major construction projects in their future.

Beaches and parks, ponds, and our very way of life all took center stage, as we were reminded passionately that these are essential elements of Oak Bluffs for all of us. We have been steadily bringing our resources to bear on preserving and protecting Sengekontacket and Farm Ponds, restoring the entire Oak Bluffs waterfront, and maintaining one of our most incredible assets—an in-town beach with some of the best swimming and socializing anywhere. There is a hard-working Beach Committee bringing their talents to bear on the waterfront and a new joint committee (with Edgartown) to focus on the health of Sengekontacket Pond. A citizens committee has formed with Farm Pond as their focus.

Selectman Ron DiOrio has brought renewed vigor to our discussions on Affordable Housing, combined with his interest in the Creative Economy. The Bradley Square project holds great promise for people in need of affordable housing, affordable work space, and affordable retail gallery space and will preserve the history of our arts, and our African American, and Portuguese communities.

I still dream of -re-creating the Martha's Vineyard Campmeeting Association in the Southern Woodlands,

using America's first cluster development as our model for assuring housing for today's families as well as future generations.

This past summer, Oak Bluffs welcomed the Boston Pops, with Natalie Cole, for a magical evening in Ocean Park. We've been hearing from dozens of people that the parks and the way they are used have great significance. With the Park Commissioners and Town Counsel, we will develop policies which will protect the interests of the neighbors who live near our parks and the people who use them. We are also planning to shape future events so there is a clear and commensurate benefit for the Town.

Many terrific projects are well underway, some near completion. The Harbor bulkhead reconstruction, nearly completed, a collaboration among the Harbor Management Committee, the Parking and Traffic Committee, the Friends of Oak Bluffs, the Oak Bluffs Association, the Community Development Committee, the Highway and Police Departments, and the Board of Selectmen, has resulted in exciting plans to rework and beautify one of our gateways to the Island.

Further up the North Bluff, the process to resolve the future of a controversial building is underway, involving the owner, Town review boards, and the Martha's Vineyard Commission and the oversight of Town Counsel.

The work on the Steamship Authority wharf is expected to be completed by the end of April. The expansion of the wharf will shift the staging of cars waiting to board onto the dock itself, freeing up landside space for safer, expanded drop-off and pick-up areas.

By Spring of 2009, the SSA will have completed the landside improvements, which will enhance safety, ease the flow of traffic, and make another gateway to the Island much more attractive.

Then there are plans to work the same kind of magic from the SSA dock down Lake Street to the harbor.

The matter of businesses conducting their business on Town property is another thorny issue which we will address in time for the summer of 2008.

The Martha's Vineyard Surfcasters have spearheaded a successful effort to build a universally accessible fishing pier between the boat wharf and the entrance to the Oak Bluffs Harbor. This will be financed by the Commonwealth. Now the Surfcasters are turning their attention to improvements and maintenance at Eastville Point Beach. We thank them for their work.

There were several handsome buildings completed this past year which beautifully demonstrate the principles of Smart-Growth—in Town buildings with living spaces

occupied year round. There are more to come, a healthy sign of revitalization in our downtown.

This season, we will persuade building owners on Circuit Avenue to pay close attention to the spaces between buildings as well as the buildings themselves. We are doing our part as a Town to further the interests of Oak Bluffs businesses and we will expect businesses to match our efforts. The Oak Bluffs business community is thriving and a source of great pride for our Town, but we need to step up our collective efforts at beautification.

At our December Special Town Meeting, we appropriated money to winterize the Kennebec Avenue bathrooms. They will open in mid-April and will be open every day from then on, year round.

Voters also approved upgrades for the Sailing Camp. The Conservation Commission is pleased to announce that, in time for the coming season, there will be a full commercial kitchen and the Sailing Camp itself will be a well-cared-for, three-season venue where Islanders may host special occasions.

With Thad Harshbarger, chairman of the Finance Committee, I participated in an island-wide regional assessment committee charged with addressing the regional high school funding formula. We didn't arrive at solid conclusions, but it is very clear that Mr. Harshbarger's forward-thinking proposal to change our funding formula from a per-pupil to an equalized-valuation method deserves broad public discussion. This is not a decision to be made by a committee—rather we need to engage all the people of Martha's Vineyard in this discussion. We will also address the fact that Oak Bluffs incurs costs—which no other town shares—associated with having the high school in our Town, as well as a loss of tax revenue.

Once again, Oak Bluffs was in the ribbons in the statewide Town Report competition, thanks to the excellent work of department heads, committee chairs, and Selectmen's Office Administrator Alice Butler—congratulations to all.

While much of the work of the Board of Selectmen can be routine, we are constantly challenged by our residents to do the best possible job taking care of our Town. We are blessed to live in this beautiful place, but with that privilege comes obligation.

Every board chairman brings their own unique perspective to this role. For my part, I have fostered an environment in which broad public participation occurs regularly and a climate in which people who never participated before feel comfortable and well-supported as they jump in feet first to help Oak Bluffs manage its growth,

develop its strengths, and continue to be a wonderful home—or home away from home. Thank you to all who reached out to us, to praise, criticize, inform, participate, inspire.

To the volunteers who work so selflessly for Oak Bluffs, to our elected officials who serve because it's the right thing to do, to our employees who provide us with

dedicated service, thank you for all you do. To my colleagues, thank you for your support. To the people of Oak Bluffs, thank you for bearing with us, while we try to get it all right.

Respectfully submitted,

KERRY SCOTT, Chair



TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING REPORT

APRIL 10, 2007

The meeting was called to order by Moderator David Richardson at 7:10 p.m. at the Martha's Vineyard Performing Arts Center with 125 voters in attendance. The total number increased to 333 during the course of the meeting or 11% of the total 2949 registered voters. Following the announcement that the service of the warrant was in order and the quorum had been met, Moderator Richardson let the assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance which was followed with a moment of silence for those citizens of this town who had passed during the year. He then announced best wishes were to be offered to Carl and Beatrice Green who were present in the audience and were celebrating their 52nd wedding anniversary this evening. He then led us to act upon the following articles:

Article 1. A motion was made to **postpone** this article to a future Special Town Meeting to be held before the end of June 2007. It dealt with costs of purchasing the property off Pennsylvania Avenue, commonly referred to as the Leonardo Property. The motion was seconded and so voted.

Wastewater Commission and Board of Selectmen

Article 2. A motion was made to **postpone** this article to a future Special Town Meeting to be held before the end of June 2007. It dealt with the taking of land by Eminent Domain located on Pennsylvania Avenue. The motion was seconded and so voted.

Wastewater Commission and Board of Selectmen

Article 3. This article which related to the costs of design and engineering for a wastewater treatment plant to be located at the Martha's Vineyard Regional High School to serve the High School, the Martha's Vineyard Community Services, Island Elderly Housing, the YMCA, and the adjacent Resident Homesite properties was **defeated**.

Wastewater Commission and Board of Selectmen

Article 4. Voted unanimously to **withdraw** this article which requested the Town to vote to adopt Sections 5, 6, and 7 of Chapter 40N, entitled Model Sewer Commission, which would permit the Oak Bluffs Wastewater Commission to employ and determine compensation for the Wastewater Manager and other employees, would transfer title of the wastewater system and plant to the Wastewater Commission, and would transfer the current employees to the Wastewater Commission's control.

Wastewater Commission

Article 5. Voted by the majority to approve a shift in use of the previously approved borrowing (\$3,215,000) for wastewater capital improvements to allow the installation of the **primary clarifier** and not the septage component or

the sludge de-watering component for which the original vote was for. (STM 4.11.06 Art. 2)

Wastewater Commission

This \$3,215,000. borrowing will join the previous borrowing of \$1,000,000. which had been approved at a prior meeting (STM 11.8.05 Art. 13) for this primary clarifier,

Article 6. Voted unanimously to appropriate a sum of money (\$2,000,000) to pay costs of reconstructing the **Town Bulkhead** and to pay all other costs incidental and related thereto The amount is to be raised by borrowing, but not by debt exclusion. The State will reimburse the town for \$1,000,000 and the remaining \$1,000,000 will be paid through ferry fees over a ten year period commencing 2010.

Harbor Management Advisory Committee and Board of Selectmen

Article 7. Voted unanimously to transfer from Free Cash, in the following amount and to the following entities, to pay prior year bill incurred by the Town in Fiscal Year 2006:

Amount	Payee
\$2,048.00	Lichtenstein Consulting Engineers

Board of Selectmen

Article 8. Voted unanimously to **withdraw** this article relating to the establishment of the Municipal Affordable Housing Trust Fund.

Affordable Housing Committee

Article 9. Voted unanimously to **withdraw** this article relating to the establishment of the Oak Bluffs Affordable Housing Trust.

Article 10. Voted, as amended, to appropriate from the available **CPA funding** sources as follow:

From Reserves for Open Space:	\$107,757.60
From Reserves for Community Housing:	\$107,757.60
From Reserves for Historic Space:	\$107,757.60
From Available Revenue:	\$376,727.20

for the following purposes based upon the CPA Committee recommendation to spend \$700,000 for the following projects:

Project Title (Alphabetical order)	Organization	Amount Recommended
1. Affordable Housing Trust Fund	OB Affordable Housing Committee	WITHDRAWN
2. Incentive Program for Denitrifying Septic Systems	OB Shellfish & Conservation	\$ 20,000
3. East Chop Lighthouse Restoration	M.V. Museum	\$140,000
4. Farm Pond Invasive Species Mapping Program	OB Shellfish & Conservation	\$ 10,000
5. Hartford Park Restoration	OB Parks & Recreation	\$ 30,000
6. Rental Conversion Program	Dukes County Regional Housing Auth.	\$ 24,000

7. Seaview Ave. Boardwalk Railing Replacement	OB Boardwalk to Beach Task Force	\$ 50,000
8. Viera Park Baseball Facility Expansion	Vineyard Baseball	\$200,000
TOTAL:		\$474,000

Community Preservation Committee and Board of Selectmen

Article 11. Voted unanimously to transfer the sum of \$12,000 from the Ambulance Reserve Fund for the purpose of **purchasing software** for the Ambulance Department to meet reporting standards under federal and state guidelines, and to provide the ability to transfer electronic health data between EMTs, the Martha's Vineyard Communication Center, and the Martha's Vineyard Hospital.

Ambulance Department

Article 12. Voted unanimously to fund from the Stabilization Fund the sum of \$40,000 for the purpose of continuing the **inspection, groundwater and gas monitoring, and DEP reporting** associated with the landfill and septage lagoon project through the end of fiscal

year 2008, all mandated by the Commonwealth's Department of Environmental Protection (DEP).

Board of Health

Article 13. Voted in excess of the required 2/3rds to transfer from the Stabilization Fund the sum of \$20,000 to conduct a **Classification and Compensation Study** to analyze and reclassify town positions and to develop an updated compensation schedule.

Personnel Board and Board of Selectmen

This meeting was adjourned following the vote on the last article at 9:40 p.m

ATTEST:

Deborah deB. Ratcliff, Town Clerk

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING REPORT APRIL 10, 2007

This meeting commenced following the adjournment of the Special Town Meeting at 9:41 pm at the Martha's Vineyard High School Performing Arts Center, Edgartown-Vineyard Haven Road, Oak Bluffs. There were 333 voters present of the 2949 registered, ready to act upon the following articles.

Article 1. Moderator Richardson announced that the **reports** of the Selectmen and other Boards and Committees could be found in the Annual Town Report available in the lobby. A motion was made, seconded and so voted to accept these reports as printed.

Article 2. A motion was made to nominate the incumbents to the positions of **Surveyor of Lumber and Measurer of Wood and Bark** (Wayne Guyther); **Field Driver** (Andrew

Farrisey); and **Fence Viewer** (George Fisher). The motion was moved, seconded and so voted unanimously.

Article 3. Voted unanimously to appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred and 00/100 Dollars (\$2,500) from the Resident Homesite Trust (#82101) to purchase or take by Eminent Domain, and other related expenses, pursuant to MG.L. c. 79, and any other enabling authority, **a parcel of land** located on California Avenue consisting of approximately .14± acres and identified on Oak Bluffs Assessor's Map 15 as Lot 73, for **affordable housing and other municipal purposes**.

Resident Homesite Committee

Article 4. Voted unanimously to appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred and 00/100 Dollars (\$2,500)

from the Resident Homesite Trust (#82101) to purchase or take by Eminent Domain, and other related expenses, pursuant to MG.L. c. 79, and any other enabling authority, **a parcel of land** located on California Avenue consisting of approximately .14± acres and identified on Oak Bluffs Assessor's Map 15 as Lot 76.1, for **affordable housing and other municipal purposes.**

Resident Homesite Committee

Article 5. Voted unanimously to appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred and 00/100 Dollars (\$2,500) from the Resident Homesite Trust (#82101) to purchase or take by Eminent Domain, and other related expenses, pursuant to MG.L. c. 79, and any other enabling authority, **a parcel of land** located on Marvin Avenue consisting of approximately .06± acres and identified on Oak Bluffs Assessor's Map 12 as Lot 148.3, for **affordable housing and other municipal purposes.**

Resident Homesite Committee

Article 6. Voted unanimously to appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred and 00/100 Dollars (\$2,500) from the Resident Homesite Trust (#82101) to purchase or take by Eminent Domain, and other related expenses, pursuant to MG.L. c. 79, and any other enabling authority, **a parcel of land** located on Forest Avenue and Concord Avenue consisting of approximately .5± acres and identified on Oak Bluffs Assessor's Map 22 as Lot 46, for **affordable housing and other municipal purposes.**

Resident Homesite Committee

Article 7. Voted unanimously to appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred and 00/100 Dollars (\$2,500) from the Resident Homesite Trust (#82101) to purchase or take by Eminent Domain, and other related expenses, pursuant to MG.L. c. 79, and any other enabling authority, **a parcel of land** located on California Avenue consisting of approximately .11± acres and identified on Oak Bluffs Assessor's Map 16 as Lot 81.1, for **affordable housing and other municipal purposes.**

Resident Homesite Committee

Article 8. Voted unanimously to appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred and 00/100 Dollars (\$2,500) from the Resident Homesite Trust (#82101) to purchase or take by Eminent Domain, and other related expenses, pursuant to MG.L. c. 79, and any other enabling authority, **a parcel of land** located on Wilberforce Way consisting of approximately .23± acres and identified on Oak Bluffs Assessor's Map 16 as Lot 55, for **affordable housing and other municipal purposes.**

Resident Homesite Committee

Article 9. Voted to appropriate the sum of \$7,000 (seven thousand dollars) for the hard cash match toward the **Drug Task Force** grant (17-3533) from free cash.

Police Department

Article 10. Voted unanimously to appropriate the sum of \$36,730 from the Ambulance Reserve Fund for the purchase, equipping and maintenance of (2) **two police motorcycles.**

Police Department

Article 11. Voted as amended to appropriate the sum not to exceed \$35,000 from the Ambulance Reserve Fund for the purchase, equipping and maintenance of a Ford F350 **emergency truck**, or comparable truck.

Emergency Management Department

Article 12. Voted to support the Selectmen's appointing three (3) representatives to an island-wide advisory group, with representation from the Town boards, to draft a nomination with proposed guidelines and regulations for an **island-wide energy DCPC.** The moderator called for a standing vote which resulted in yes (95) to no (92).

Article 13. Voted unanimously to appropriate the sum of \$95,000 from the Stabilization Fund to be used by the Board of Assessors for a **valuation update** of real estate and personal property to meet triennial certification of values as required by Chapter 797 of the Acts of 1979 for the fiscal year 2008.

Board of Assessors

Moderator Richardson stated that he would be taking Article 15 next, out of sequence, because it had a direct relationship to Article 14. School Committee Member Priscilla Sylvia presented the main motion to amend the article 15 based upon a different assessment formula which was moved and seconded. This amendment resulted in a total reduction of \$405,765.

Article 15. Voted, as amended, to raise and appropriate \$2,597,762 (two million five hundred ninety seven thousand seven hundred sixty two) for the **Martha's Vineyard Regional High School District assessment.** The moderator called for a standing vote which came to yes (107) to no (72).

Following the vote on this article at 11:15 pm, a motion was made and seconded and it was so voted to adjourn this meeting tonight and to reconvene at 7:00 pm tomorrow night, April 11th 2007.

The second night of this meeting was called to order by Moderator David Richardson at 7:10 pm with 145 voters in attendance.

Article 14. Voted, as amended, **the operating budget for FY 2008** in the amount of \$18,301,745. (eighteen million three hundred one thousand seven hundred forty five) and to transfer and appropriate from the Wastewater Enterprise Fund the sum of \$520,204 five hundred twenty thousand two hundred four); all to fund and pay departmental expenses and Town debt for the ensuing fiscal year July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008. A portion (\$137,957) of the funds

taken from Article 15 was added to the School Budget, Department 300.

Finance and Advisory Committee and Board of Selectmen

Article 16. Voted to **transfer** the sum of \$160,000 (one hundred sixty thousand dollars) from the **Ferry Fee** account (#15123) to the following accounts: \$130,000 to Police Department account (#51213) for summer police salaries; \$15,000 to Police Department account (#5711) for training; and \$15,000 to Police Department account (#5190) for overtime.

Board of Selectmen

Article 17. Voted unanimously, as authorized by MGL Chapter 44, section 53E1/2 , to re-establish a **revolving fund** for department 296, **Marina**. (The funds deposited into this fund are generated by a \$1 per night per boat charges to transient marine vessels. The fund was approved by April 13, 2004 Annual Town Meeting and needs reauthorization yearly).

Harbor Management Committee

Article 18. Voted unanimously to accept the provisions of **MGL 59, section 5L** which would give Massachusetts National Guardsmen and Reservists deployed outside the state, or their dependents, up to 180 days after that service to pay their property taxes without interest or penalties.

Board of Assessors

Article 19. Voted in excess of the required 2/3rds to amend the **Zoning By-law** and the **Zoning Map** as follows: Amend the Oak Bluffs Zoning Map and Oak Bluffs Zoning Bylaw Section 8.3.2 Wireless Communication Overlay District (**WCOD**) Location by adding the following parcels:

Map 50 Parcel 29

Map 50 Parcel 30

Map 50 Parcel 31

Planning Board

Article 20. Voted unanimously to correct a clerical error by amending the Oak Bluffs **Zoning Bylaw** by deleting a reference to Section 4.2.8, "Special Permit for Height in the B-1 District," in Appendix A and adding a reference to Section 4.2.8 in Appendix **B**.

Planning Board

Article 21. Voted unanimously to appropriate or reserve from **Community Preservation Fund** Fiscal Year 2008 estimated annual revenues the amounts recommended by the Community Preservation Committee for administrative expenses and Community Preservation projects, with each item to be considered a separate appropriation as follows.

Appropriation	Recommended Amount
Community Administrative Expense (Not to Exceed 5%)	\$ 35,000
Reserves	
Historic Resources (10%)	\$74,209
Community Housing (10%)	\$74,209
Open Space (10%)	\$74,209
Board of Selectmen, Community Preservation Committee	

Article 22. Voted unanimously to fix the **compensation** of full time and part time elected officials of the Town as provided by M.G.L. Chapter 41, Section 108 as amended, for the twelve month period from July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008 as follows:

Moderator	\$325
Board of Selectmen, Chair	\$4,500
Selectmen, Members	\$3,000 each
Constable (2)	\$500 each
Town Clerk	\$63,918
Tree Warden	\$1,500
Board of Health, Chair	\$3,000
Board of Health, Members	\$2,500 each
Cemetery Commission, Chair	\$250
Cemetery Commissioner	\$150

Article 23. Voted unanimously to elect the following Town Officers on the official ballot:

One Moderator for 1 year
One Selectman for 3 years
One Board of Health Member for 3 years
One Cemetery Commissioner for 3 years
Three Finance & Advisory Committee Members for 3 years
One Parks Commissioner for 3 years
Two Constables for 3 years
One Planning Board Member for 5 years
One School Committee Member for 3 years
One Martha's Vineyard Land Bank Commissioner for 3 years
One Wastewater Commissioner for 2 years
One Wastewater Commissioner for 3 years
One Water District Moderator for 3 years
One Water District Commissioner for 3 years

Following the vote on the last article a motion was made, duly seconded and so voted to close this Annual Town Meeting at 10:10 pm.

ATTEST:

Deborah deB. Ratcliff, Town Clerk

DEPT. & ACCOUNT CODES	DEPARTMENT	FY2005 ACTUAL BUDGET	FY2006 ACTUAL BUDGET	FY2007 ACTUAL BUDGET	FY2008 PROPOSED BUDGET
DEPT 114-	TOWN MODERATOR				
5110	DEPT 114-	\$325.00	\$325.00	325.00	325.00
	TOTAL TOWN MODERATOR	\$325.00	\$325.00	\$325.00	\$325.00
DEPT 122-	SELECTMEN				
5110	ELECTED OFFICIALS	\$16,500.00	\$16,500.00	\$16,500.00	\$16,500.00
51101	ADMINISTRATIVE SALARIES	\$71,456.00	\$72,613.00	\$85,218.00	\$88,750.00
51102	TOWN ADMINISTRATOR	\$80,000.00	\$84,000.00	\$87,360.00	\$87,360.00
51140	LONGEVITY	\$800.00	\$1,600.00	\$1,800.00	\$1,800.00
5300	PROFESSIONAL & TECHNICAL	\$101,000.00	\$101,000.00	\$99,000.00	\$90,000.00
5700	OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$11,000.00
	TOTAL SELECTMEN	\$279,756.00	\$285,713.00	\$299,878.00	\$295,410.00
DEPT 131-	FINANCE COMMITTEE				
51105	CLERICAL SALARY	\$3,600.00	\$3,600.00	\$3,600.00	\$3,600.00
5700	OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
5730	MEMBERSHIPS	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$150.00
	TOTAL FINANCE COMMITTEE	\$4,750.00	\$4,750.00	\$4,750.00	\$4,750.00
DEPT 132-	FINANCE COMMITTEE RESERVE FUND				
5960	RESERVE FUND	\$50,000.00	\$45,000.00	\$45,000.00	\$45,000.00
	TOTAL FIN/COMM RESERVE FUND	\$50,000.00	\$45,000.00	\$45,000.00	\$45,000.00
DEPT 135-	TOWN ACCOUNTANT				
51101	ADMINISTRATIVE SALARIES	\$65,000.00	\$73,000.00	\$74,320.00	\$0.00
51102	FINANCE DIRECTOR				\$60,000.00
51103	TOWN ACCOUNTANT				\$34,320.00
5300	REIMBURSEMENT FOR TRAVEL & HOUSING	\$39,950.00	\$25,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$19,000.00
5700	OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$1,079.00
	TOTAL TOWN ACCOUNTANT	\$107,450.00	\$100,500.00	\$96,820.00	\$114,399.00
DEPT 141-	ASSESSORS				
5110	APPOINTED OFFICIALS	\$4,896.00	\$4,896.00	\$4,896.00	\$4,896.00
51101	ADMINISTRATIVE SALARIES	\$84,714.00	\$103,022.00	\$112,821.00	\$60,015.00
51102	PRINCIPAL ASSESSOR				\$52,806.00
51140	LONGEVITY	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$900.00	\$1,100.00
5190	TRAINING			\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
5300	PROFESSIONAL & TECHNICAL	\$25,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
5380	CARTOGRAPHIC SERVICES	\$4,000.00	\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00
5700	OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	\$5,100.00	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$592.00
	TOTAL ASSESSORS	\$124,010.00	\$125,718.00	\$136,117.00	\$132,909.00
DEPT 144-	TOWN TREASURER FIXED COSTS				
51900	MEDICARE COSTS	\$90,000.00	\$95,000.00	\$120,000.00	\$145,000.00
51911	PENSION FUND	\$510,021.00	\$532,972.00	\$565,820.00	\$565,695.00

DEPT. & ACCOUNT CODES	DEPARTMENT	FY2005 ACTUAL BUDGET	FY2006 ACTUAL BUDGET	FY2007 ACTUAL BUDGET	FY2008 PROPOSED BUDGET
51913	UNEMPLOYMENT COMP.	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$37,200.00	\$42,500.00
51916	MED. INS-EMPLOYER CONTR.	\$1,491,360.00	\$1,620,323.00	\$1,797,689.00	\$1,865,914.00
5212	COMPUTER P/R CONT SERVICE	\$8,500.00	\$8,500.00	\$8,500.00	\$8,500.00
	TOTAL TOWN TREASURER FIXED	\$2,119,881.00	\$2,276,795.00	\$2,529,209.00	\$2,627,609.00
DEPT. 145-	TOWN TREASURER				
51101	ADMINISTRATIVE SALARIES	\$42,000.00	\$56,582.00	\$64,928.00	\$0.00
51102	ASSISTANT TREASURER				\$44,928.00
51140	LONGEVITY	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
52200	TAX TITLE EXPENSE	\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00	\$27,600.00	\$24,735.00
5700	OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	\$2,000.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
5711	TRAINING & SEMINARS	\$500.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$3,000.00
	TOTAL TOWN TREASURER	\$75,000.00	\$89,582.00	\$95,528.00	\$73,663.00
DEPT 146-	TAX COLLECTOR				
5110	ELECTED OFFICIALS	\$42,500.00	\$47,472.00	\$49,371.00	\$0.00
51101	ADMINISTRATIVE SALARIES	\$64,603.00	\$64,603.00	\$55,570.00	\$55,570.00
51102	TAX COLLECTOR-APPOINTED				\$49,371.00
51140	LONGEVITY				
51190	COLLECTOR OF ACCTS SALARY	\$1,500.00			
5190	TRAINING			3,000.00	3,000.00
5700	OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	\$9,000.00	\$17,799.00	\$15,000.00	\$12,525.00
	TOTAL TAX COLLECTOR	\$117,603.00	\$129,874.00	\$122,941.00	\$120,466.00
DEPT 155-	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY				
51101	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DIRECTOR	\$42,780.00	\$51,000.00	\$52,275.00	\$52,000.00
51140	LONGEVITY	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00		
5320	COMPUTER TRAINING	\$10,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$12,000.00	\$10,000.00
5340	TELEPHONE			\$46,000.00	\$65,000.00
5342	COMPUTER SUPPLIES	\$13,000.00	\$13,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$5,000.00
5343	COMPUTER MAINTENANCE	\$43,920.00	\$56,829.00	\$64,000.00	\$79,000.00
5344	UPGRADES	\$19,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$19,000.00
5700	OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES			\$7,500.00	\$4,500.00
	TOTAL INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	\$129,700.00	\$136,829.00	\$197,775.00	\$234,500.00
DEPT 161-	TOWN CLERK				
5110	ELECTED OFFICIALS				\$63,924.00
51101	ADMINISTRATIVE SALARIES	\$53,453.00	\$56,126.00	\$58,372.00	\$42,574.00
51140	LONGEVITY	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
5700	OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	\$2,830.00	\$2,830.00	\$2,830.00	\$2,830.00
	TOTAL TOWN CLERK	\$93,631.00	\$96,304.00	\$102,366.00	\$110,328.00

DEPT. & ACCOUNT CODES	DEPARTMENT	FY2005 ACTUAL BUDGET	FY2006 ACTUAL BUDGET	FY2007 ACTUAL BUDGET	FY2008 PROPOSED BUDGET
DEPT 163-	BOARD OF REGISTRARS				
5110	APPOINTED OFFICIALS	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
51100	CONSTABLES	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
51101	ADMINISTRATIVE SALARIES	\$11,606.00	\$10,000.00	\$13,000.00	\$11,000.00
5190	TRAINING			\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
5700	OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	\$3,790.00	\$3,000.00	\$7,000.00	\$5,000.00
	TOTAL BOARD OF REGISTRARS	\$18,396.00	\$16,000.00	\$24,000.00	\$20,000.00
DEPT 171-	CONSERVATION COMMISSION				
51101	CONSERVATION AGENT	\$39,674.00	\$39,674.00	\$45,521.00	\$45,521.00
51171	CARETAKER'S SALARY	\$11,370.00	\$11,370.00	\$12,172.00	\$12,172.00
5300	PROFESSIONAL & TECHNICAL	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
5700	OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	\$745.00	\$970.00	\$970.00	\$970.00
5702	MAINTENANCE EXPENSES	\$5,550.00	\$5,550.00	\$5,550.00	\$5,550.00
5710	TRAVEL EXPENSES	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00
5711	TRAINING & SEMINARS	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
5730	MEMBERSHIPS	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$165.00	\$165.00
	TOTAL CONSERVATION COMMISSION	\$59,689.00	\$59,914.00	\$66,578.00	\$66,578.00
DEPT 175-	PLANNING BOARD				
51105	CLERICAL SALARY	\$3,818.00	\$3,818.00	\$3,818.00	\$3,800.00
5210	CONSULTING ENGINEERING	\$2,600.00	\$2,600.00	\$2,600.00	\$2,600.00
5700	OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	\$725.00	\$725.00	\$725.00	\$500.00
	TOTAL PLANNING BOARD	\$7,143.00	\$7,143.00	\$7,143.00	\$6,900.00
DEPT 199-	UNCLASSIFIED SELECTMEN				
51914	INSURANCE EXPENSE	\$400,000.00	\$360,000.00	\$386,000.00	\$390,000.00
52000	STREET LIGHTING EXPENSE	\$78,750.00	\$80,000.00	\$140,000.00	\$113,960.00
52019	TOWN REPORT	\$7,000.00	\$8,000.00	\$8,000.00	\$8,500.00
52100	SELF INSURANCE TRUST FUND	\$10,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$20,000.00
5211	TOWN BUILDING UTILITIES	\$60,000.00	\$70,000.00	\$120,000.00	\$109,000.00
5270	COPY MACHINE SUPPLIES	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,500.00
5273	LEASE LAND FOR DRAINAGE	\$1,250.00	\$1,250.00	\$1,250.00	\$2,000.00
5301	ENGINEERING/ARCHITECTURAL	\$18,500.00	\$20,000.00	\$17,500.00	\$20,300.00
5302	ANNUAL AUDIT	\$32,000.00	\$32,000.00	\$32,000.00	\$32,000.00
5340	TELEPHONE	\$40,000.00	\$44,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5341	ADVERTISING	\$6,000.00	\$8,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
5344	POSTAGE	\$20,000.00	\$26,000.00	\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00
5420	OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$37,500.00	\$37,500.00
56901	MV LAND/WATER COMM ASSESS	\$101,218.00	\$109,663.00	\$115,311.00	\$118,120.00
5700	NEGOTIATED SALARY INCREASES FY 08	\$34,762.00	\$158,000.00	\$45,000.00	\$86,000.00

DEPT. & ACCOUNT CODES	DEPARTMENT	FY2005 ACTUAL BUDGET	FY2006 ACTUAL BUDGET	FY2007 ACTUAL BUDGET	FY2008 PROPOSED BUDGET
5730	REGIONAL HOUSING AUTHORITY				
	TOTAL UNCLASSIFIED SELECTMEN	\$864,480.00	\$986,913.00	\$962,561.00	\$1,024,856.00
DEPT 210-	POLICE DEPARTMENT				
51101	ADMINISTRATIVE SALARIES	\$28,875.00	\$28,875.00	\$32,448.00	\$32,448.00
51140	LONGEVITY	\$3,400.00	\$4,200.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,800.00
51210	POLICE CHIEF'S SALARY	\$74,984.00	\$77,233.00	\$88,500.00	\$88,500.00
51211	LIEUTENANT SALARY	\$65,956.00	\$67,935.00	\$77,473.00	\$77,473.00
51212	PATROLMEN SALARIES	\$440,326.00	\$455,230.00	\$517,750.00	\$613,533.00
51213	SUMMER, TEMP. & SPECIAL POLICE	\$149,601.00	\$137,081.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
51214	PATROL SERGEANT	\$121,310.00	\$122,000.00	\$138,468.00	\$151,528.00
51215	EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT	\$39,375.00	\$39,375.00	\$44,346.00	\$44,346.00
51217	QUINN BILL	\$62,229.00	\$127,748.00	\$147,491.00	\$161,511.00
51292	ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER SALARY	\$29,320.00	\$29,320.00	\$32,178.00	\$32,178.00
51293	ASST ANIMAL CONTROL SALARY	\$8,358.00	\$8,358.00	\$0.00	\$10,374.00
51294	ANIMAL CONTROL OTHER CHARGES	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$2,000.00
5186	DETECTIVE SALARY	\$50,400.00	\$51,546.00	\$61,871.00	\$66,082.00
5190	ADDITIONAL SALARY EXPENSE	\$131,000.00	\$141,480.00	\$155,628.00	\$137,500.00
5306	DELTA DENTAL	\$4,500.00	\$3,700.00	\$3,700.00	\$3,700.00
5307	LEGAL PROTECTION	\$1,950.00	\$1,800.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,100.00
5308	TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS COLLECTIONS	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	
5580	UNIFORMS & EQUIPMENT	\$37,104.00	\$43,000.00	\$48,600.00	\$48,600.00
5711	TRAINING & SEMINARS	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$0.00
	TOTAL POLICE DEPARTMENT	\$1,267,688.00	\$1,357,881.00	\$1,358,953.00	\$1,474,673.00
DEPT 220-	FIRE DEPARTMENT				
51101	SALARIES	\$94,500.00	\$94,900.00	\$98,600.00	\$97,600.00
51102	SALARIES FOR NON-RELATED FIRE	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
51103	FIRE CHIEF				\$12,000.00
5243	BUILDING REPAIRS	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00
5588	FIRE ALARM SYSTEM	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
5700	OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	\$38,763.00	\$43,363.00	\$43,363.00	\$43,363.00
	TOTAL FIRE DEPARTMENT	\$143,263.00	\$148,263.00	\$151,963.00	\$162,963.00
DEPT 231-	AMBULANCE SERVICE				
51101	SALARIES	\$95,476.00	\$166,238.00	\$163,713.00	\$117,540.00
51102	AMBULANCE CHIEF				\$41,900.00
51140	LONGEVITY	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
	OVERTIME/EXTRA COVERAGE	\$1,000.00	\$840.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
51400	SHIFT PAY	\$76,325.00	\$60,890.00	\$78,945.00	\$87,573.00
5150	IMMUNIZATION OF EMTS	\$1,000.00	\$0.00		

DEPT. & ACCOUNT CODES	DEPARTMENT	FY2005 ACTUAL BUDGET	FY2006 ACTUAL BUDGET	FY2007 ACTUAL BUDGET	FY2008 PROPOSED BUDGET
5190	TRAINING & TUITION	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
5700	OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	\$17,000.00	\$29,000.00	\$25,500.00	\$25,500.00
	TOTAL AMBULANCE SERVICE	\$201,801.00	\$267,968.00	\$279,158.00	\$283,513.00
DEPT 241-	BUILDING INSPECTOR				
51101	ADMINISTRATIVE SALARIES	\$91,032.00	\$91,032.00	\$157,438.00	\$85,393.00
51102	BUILDING INSPECTOR				\$68,747.00
51140	LONGEVITY	\$800.00	\$300.00		
51242	SEPARATE INSPECTORS		\$800.00	\$70,000.00	\$70,000.00
5300	PROFESSIONAL & TECHNICAL	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
5700	OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	\$260.00	\$260.00	\$1,120.00	\$1,120.00
5730	MEMBERSHIPS	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00
5780	INSTRUCTIONAL & CONFERENCES	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
	TOTAL BUILDING INSPECTOR	\$114,292.00	\$114,592.00	\$235,758.00	\$232,460.00
DEPT 249-	SHELLFISH				
51101	CONSTABLES SALARY	\$84,251.00	\$86,358.00	\$97,157.00	\$54,551.00
51102	SHELLFISH CONSTABLE				\$54,590.00
51140	LONGEVITY	\$300.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
5130	HOLIDAY, OVERTIME PAY	\$2,834.00	\$2,976.00	\$3,960.00	\$3,697.00
52249	TOWN SHARE- MARINE BIOLOGIST	\$23,575.00	\$30,000.00	\$27,000.00	\$30,000.00
53400	FREIGHT, ADV., POSTAGE & RINGS	\$280.00	\$250.00	\$250.00	
5420	SUPPLIES	\$2,200.00	\$2,200.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
5713	TRAVEL, CONFERENCES & DUES	\$1,100.00	\$1,765.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,000.00
5881	EQUIPMENT	\$700.00	\$1,250.00	\$1,200.00	\$2,000.00
	TOTAL SHELLFISH	\$115,240.00	\$125,299.00	\$135,067.00	\$149,838.00
DEPT 291-	EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT				
5420	HURRICANE SUPPLIES				\$7,500.00
5463	CERTIFIED EQUIPMENT				\$3,000.00
5584	BOAT EXPENSE				\$6,500.00
5700	OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	\$4,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$9,500.00	\$2,500.00
	TOTAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	\$4,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$9,500.00	\$19,500.00
DEPT 296-	MARINA/HARBOR				
51101	SALARIES	\$186,783.00	\$204,517.00	\$195,405.00	\$134,558.00
51102	HARBORMASTER				\$64,386.00
51140	LONGEVITY				\$1,300.00
5240	REPAIRS & MATERIALS	\$26,000.00	\$18,500.00	\$21,000.00	\$22,000.00
5481	VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
5700	OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	\$20,000.00	\$12,500.00	\$15,000.00	\$11,018.00
	TOTAL MARINA/HARBOR	\$238,783.00	\$241,517.00	\$231,405.00	\$233,262.00

DEPT. & ACCOUNT CODES	DEPARTMENT	FY2005 ACTUAL BUDGET	FY2006 ACTUAL BUDGET	FY2007 ACTUAL BUDGET	FY2008 PROPOSED BUDGET
DEPT 300-	SCHOOL				
5000	FIXED EXPENSE	\$139,263.00	\$139,263.00	\$152,955.00	\$170,111.00
5100	ADMINISTRATIVE	\$171,138.00	\$171,138.00	\$172,023.00	\$173,380.00
5200	INSTRUCTIONAL	\$4,009,584.00	\$4,253,440.00	\$4,281,842.00	\$4,549,813.00
5400	SERVICE	\$171,976.00	\$171,976.00	\$233,553.00	\$232,979.00
5700	OPERATION	\$341,776.00	\$341,776.00	\$429,061.00	\$253,678.00
	CHARTER SCHOOL				
	TOTAL SCHOOL	\$4,833,737.00	\$5,077,593.00	\$5,269,434.00	\$5,379,961.00
DEPT 301-	MARTHA'S VINEYARD REGIONAL HS				
5690	MVRHS DISTRICT ASSESSMENT	\$2,397,549.00	\$2,611,288.00	\$2,700,940.00	
5800	MVRHS CAPITAL OUTLAY	\$169,354.00	\$155,179.00	\$158,105.00	
	TOTAL MARTHA'S VINEYARD REG. HS	\$2,566,903.00	\$2,766,467.00	\$2,859,045.00	\$0.00
DEPT 421-	HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT				
51101	ADMINISTRATIVE SALARIES	\$150,720.00	\$152,456.00	\$164,270.00	\$88,897.00
51102	HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT				\$78,823.00
51140	LONGEVITY	\$3,400.00	\$4,200.00	\$4,200.00	\$4,700.00
51193	PUBLIC BLDG MAINTENANCE	\$35,000.00	\$35,000.00	\$35,000.00	\$35,000.00
5130	OTHER WAGES	\$91,710.00	\$97,800.00	\$103,792.00	\$103,792.00
5131	SNOW & ICE OVERTIME	\$35,425.00	\$35,425.00	\$35,425.00	\$35,425.00
51422	LABORER/MECHANIC SALARIES	\$331,118.00	\$331,118.00	\$358,908.00	\$387,902.00
5217	FUEL				\$110,000.00
5240	REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	\$57,000.00	\$57,000.00	\$57,000.00	\$55,000.00
5241	TIPPING FEES	\$228,102.00	\$228,102.00	\$228,102.00	\$218,102.00
5245	RECYCLING MATERIALS DISP.	\$21,000.00	\$21,000.00	\$21,000.00	\$21,000.00
5291	SNOW REMOVAL	\$8,000.00	\$8,000.00	\$8,000.00	\$8,000.00
5292	COLLECTION OF OFFAL	\$4,500.00	\$4,500.00	\$4,500.00	\$4,500.00
5293	MAINT. FARM POND CULVERT	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
5294	SWEEPER	\$18,740.00	\$18,740.00	\$18,740.00	
5295	RUB TRUCK	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00	
5700	OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	\$151,525.00	\$151,525.00	\$156,525.00	\$57,951.00
5709	WW FEES	\$22,000.00	\$22,000.00	\$22,000.00	\$22,000.00
58422	ROAD CONSTRUCTION	\$250,000.00	\$250,000.00	\$250,000.00	\$250,000.00
	TOTAL HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT	\$1,429,240.00	\$1,437,866.00	\$1,488,462.00	\$1,482,092.00
DEPT 491-	CEMETERY				
5110	COMMISSIONERS' SALARIES	\$550.00	\$550.00	\$550.00	\$550.00
	TOTAL CEMETERY	\$550.00	\$550.00	\$550.00	\$550.00

DEPT. & ACCOUNT CODES	DEPARTMENT	FY2005 ACTUAL BUDGET	FY2006 ACTUAL BUDGET	FY2007 ACTUAL BUDGET	FY2008 PROPOSED BUDGET
DEPT 519-	BOARD OF HEALTH				
5110	BOARD OF HEALTH SALARIES	\$8,000.00	\$8,000.00	\$8,000.00	\$8,000.00
51105	CLERICAL SALARY	\$29,557.00	\$29,557.00	\$32,788.00	\$32,788.00
51140	LONGEVITY	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$300.00
5120	SEASONAL EMPLOYMENT	\$0.00	\$5,538.00	\$5,538.00	\$5,538.00
51520	HEALTH AGENT'S SALARY	\$43,554.00	\$43,554.00	\$49,972.00	\$49,972.00
5246	HAZARDOUS WASTE DISPOSAL	\$14,416.00	\$14,416.00	\$18,000.00	\$14,000.00
5301	PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING	\$18,425.00	\$18,685.00	\$22,015.00	\$25,270.00
5303	ADVERTISING	\$540.00	\$540.00	\$540.00	\$540.00
5700	OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	\$7,220.00	\$7,220.00	\$7,220.00	\$17,220.00
5701	CLOTHING ALLOWANCE	\$160.00	\$160.00	\$160.00	\$160.00
5709	DEP FEES			\$800.00	\$800.00
5717	SCHOOL, SEMINARS, & TRAINING	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$300.00
5730	DUES & MEMBERSHIPS	\$105.00	\$105.00	\$105.00	\$105.00
	TOTAL BOARD OF HEALTH	\$122,577.00	\$128,375.00	\$145,738.00	\$154,993.00
DEPT 541-	COUNCIL ON AGING				
51101	SALARIES	\$80,904.00	\$91,862.00	\$108,910.00	\$63,974.00
51102	COUNCIL ON AGING DIRECTOR				\$44,936.00
51140	LONGEVITY	\$550.00	\$250.00	\$300.00	\$300.00
5300	PILOT PROGRAM/SOCIAL WORKER			\$4,344.00	\$9,044.00
5350	OLDER AMERICAN ACTS (ICOA)	\$9,994.00	\$21,214.00	\$9,992.00	\$9,992.00
5351	SOCIAL DAY CARE (ICOA)	\$6,690.00	\$11,527.00	\$12,992.00	\$13,357.00
5352	OFFICE EXPENSE (ICOA)	\$13,370.00	\$4,169.00	\$16,673.00	\$23,498.00
5700	OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	\$7,500.00	\$7,500.00	\$8,000.00	\$8,000.00
5700	CONFERENCE & EDUCATION				
	TOTAL COUNCIL ON AGING	\$119,008.00	\$136,522.00	\$161,211.00	\$173,101.00
DEPT 543-	VETERANS' SERVICES				
5700	OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	\$400.00	\$5,500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
5770	BENEFIT PAYMENTS	\$10,000.00	\$33,000.00	\$21,000.00	\$30,636.00
	TOTAL VETERANS' SERVICES	\$10,400.00	\$38,500.00	\$21,500.00	\$31,136.00
DEPT 610-	LIBRARY				
51101	SALARIES	\$148,406.00	\$244,838.00	\$275,495.00	\$234,524.00
51102	LIBRARY DIRECTOR				\$60,706.00
51140	LONGEVITY	\$800.00	\$1,500.00	\$800.00	\$800.00
5200	PROGRAMS			\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
5240	EQUIPMENT & MAINTENANCE	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	
5511	BOOKS & PERIODICALS	\$48,054.00	\$58,680.00	\$63,285.00	\$66,450.00
5582	SUPPLIES & EXPENSES	\$5,716.00	\$6,500.00	\$4,000.00	\$7,000.00
5709	WW FEES	\$748.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

DEPT. & ACCOUNT CODES	DEPARTMENT	FY2005 ACTUAL BUDGET	FY2006 ACTUAL BUDGET	FY2007 ACTUAL BUDGET	FY2008 PROPOSED BUDGET
5711	EDUCATION AND TRAINING			\$2,685.00	\$2,685.00
5799	COMPUTER AUTOMATION (CLAMS)	\$15,480.00	\$12,000.00	\$25,000.00	\$29,000.00
	TOTAL LIBRARY	\$221,204.00	\$323,518.00	\$374,765.00	\$404,165.00
DEPT 612-	ARTS COUNCIL				
5700	OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
	TOTAL ARTS COUNCIL	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
DEPT 630-	PARKS & RECREATION				
51101	FORMAN SALARY	\$43,493.00	\$43,493.00	\$46,157.00	\$47,549.00
51105	OTHER SALARIES	\$83,468.00	\$83,468.00	\$87,912.00	\$89,347.00
51140	LONGEVITY	\$500.00	\$800.00	\$800.00	\$800.00
51651	MAINTENANCE EXPENSES			\$15,000.00	\$25,140.00
5401	TOWN BEACH	\$700.00	\$700.00	\$700.00	\$700.00
5463	MATERIALS & EQUIPMENT	\$1,300.00	\$1,300.00	\$1,300.00	\$1,300.00
5464	FERTILIZER, SHRUBS, & TREES	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
5488	BAND CONCERTS	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
5700	OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	\$16,500.00	\$26,500.00	\$16,500.00	\$16,500.00
	TOTAL PARKS & RECREATION	\$153,961.00	\$164,261.00	\$176,369.00	\$189,336.00
	DEBT SCHEDULE				
	NEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL				
	\$ 8,000,000.00 ISSUE				
01-710-5927	PRINCIPAL	\$750,000.00	\$740,000.00	\$725,000.00	\$710,000.00
01-750-5927	INTEREST	\$261,045.00	\$233,400.00	\$211,200.00	\$189,450.00
	LIBRARY CONSTRUCTION				
01-710-5933	PRINCIPAL	\$195,000.00	\$175,000.00	\$175,000.00	\$175,000.00
01-750-5933	INTEREST	\$161,500.00	\$144,507.00	\$138,382.00	\$132,782.00
	WASTEWATER PROJECT				
01-720-5932	PRINCIPAL	\$619,331.00	\$625,845.00	\$624,086.00	\$691,242.00
01-751-5932	INTEREST	\$249,265.00	\$238,442.00	\$226,088.00	\$239,953.00
01-751-5935	MWPAT (SRF LOAN)	\$0.00	\$20,254.00	19,157.00	18,033.00
	LANDFILL CAPPING				
01-710-5934	PRINCIPAL	\$89,691.00	\$90,851.00	\$87,496.00	\$123,836.00
01-751-5934	INTEREST	\$20,140.00	\$19,182.00	\$22,623.00	\$29,622.00
01-760-5998	BOND ISSUANCE COST	\$35,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
01-760-5999	BOND REGISTER & TRANSFER	\$600.00	\$600.00	\$600.00	\$600.00

DEPT. & ACCOUNT CODES	DEPARTMENT	FY2005 ACTUAL BUDGET	FY2006 ACTUAL BUDGET	FY2007 ACTUAL BUDGET	FY2008 PROPOSED BUDGET
01-751-5926	INTEREST ON TEMPORARY NOTES	\$6,306.00	\$6,094.00		
	TOTAL DEBT SCHEDULE	\$2,387,878.00	\$2,299,175.00	\$2,231,632.00	\$2,312,518.00
	SUB TOTAL	\$17,982,839.00	\$18,992,207.00	\$19,822,001.00	\$17,562,254.00
DEPT 60198-	WASTEWATER DEPARTMENT				
51101	ADMINISTRATIVE SALARIES	\$189,782.00	\$200,287.00	\$205,294.00	\$159,294.00
51102	CHIEF OPERATOR				\$46,000.00
51108	OVERTIME	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,250.00	\$10,250.00
51914	INSURANCE	\$2,000.00	\$65,406.00	\$67,041.00	\$67,041.00
5211	TOWN BUILDING UTILITIES	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,050.00	\$2,050.00
5215	ELECTRIC	\$60,000.00	\$60,000.00	\$61,500.00	\$61,500.00
5300	PROFESSIONAL & TECHNICAL	\$14,000.00	\$14,000.00	\$14,350.00	\$14,350.00
5340	TELEPHONE	\$14,500.00	\$14,500.00	\$14,863.00	\$14,863.00
5400	SUPPLIES	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,125.00	\$5,125.00
5402	CHEMICALS	\$26,000.00	\$26,000.00	\$26,650.00	\$26,650.00
5420	OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,230.00	\$1,230.00
5700	OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$20,500.00	\$20,500.00
5702	MAINTENANCE EXPENSES	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,125.00	\$5,125.00
5704	SLUDGE DISPOSAL	\$100,000.00	\$100,000.00	\$102,500.00	\$102,500.00
5705	EQUIPMENT	\$14,000.00	\$14,000.00	\$14,350.00	\$14,350.00
5706	REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT	\$14,000.00	\$14,000.00	\$14,350.00	\$14,350.00
5707	EQUIPMENT RENTAL	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,563.00	\$2,563.00
5710	TRAVEL EXPENSES	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,563.00	\$2,563.00
5711	TRAINING	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,025.00	\$1,025.00
5730	MEMBERSHIPS	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$205.00	\$205.00
5750	CONTINGENCY	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00
	TOTAL WASTEWATER DEPARTMENT	\$503,682.00	\$577,593.00	\$601,534.00	\$601,534.00
	GRAND TOTALS	\$18,486,521.00	\$19,569,800.00	\$20,423,535.00	\$18,163,788.00

REPORT OF THE ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION

APRIL 12, 2007

Pursuant to the Annual Town Meeting warrant Article 23, polls were declared open by Town Clerk Deborah deB. Ratcliff at 10:00 a.m. Assistant Town Clerk Laura Johnston, Rosemary Hildreth, Lois DeBettencourt and Board of Registrar Members Patricia Ingalls and Kathryn Collins were in attendance to see to the needs of the voters. Board of Registrar Member Margaret Stafursky arrived later in the day to assist.

At 7:00 p.m. the polls were declared closed. The ballot box indicated that a total of 972 voters had participated in this election with 115 of these being by absentee ballot. The total number of registered voters is 2949 thereby reflecting the percentage of participation as 33%.

The following results were announced at 8:15 p.m. All election materials were then sealed and returned to the Town Hall to be stored for the prescribed time and the election results were posted on the Town Bulletin Board and faxed to the various news agencies.

MODERATOR, One for one year

David F. Richardson	655
Blanks	253
Others	64

BOARD OF SELECTMEN, One for three years

Kerry F. Scott	608
Mac Starks	293
Blanks	60
Others	11

BOARD OF HEALTH MEMBER, One for three years

Linda Marinelli	328
David T. Caron	568
Chip Mitchell	60
Blanks	15
Others	1

CEMETERY COMMISSIONER, One for three years

James Maseda	530
Charlene E. Radcliffe	324
Blanks	116
Others	2

FINANCE & ADVISORY COMMITTEE,

Three for three years	
Thad R. Harshbarger	634
Linda Marinelli	436
Arthur W. McGrath, Jr.	614
Douglas F. Best	493
Blanks	730
Others	9

PARK COMMISSIONER, One for three years

Richard D. Combra, Jr.	650
Blanks	309
Others	13

CONSTABLE, Two for three years

Richard R. Mavro	448
David Oliveira	592
Sharon Rzemien	481
Blanks	420
Others	3

PLANNING BOARD MEMBER, One for five years

James H. Westervelt	632
Blanks	337
Others	3

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBER, One for three years

Lisa Anne Reagan	758
Blanks	208
Others	6

MARTHA'S VINEYARD LAND BANK COMMISSION, One for three years

Priscilla L. Sylvia	766
Blanks	203
Others	3

WASTEWATER COMMISSION, One for two years

Hans O. vonSteiger	645
Blanks	325
Others	2

WASTEWATER COMMISSION, One for three years

Robert A. Iadicicco	581
Blanks	378
Others	13

WATER DISTRICT MODERATOR, One for three years

Duncan Ross	656
Blanks	305
Others	11

WATER DISTRICT COMMISSION, One for three years

Michael S. deBettencourt	755
Blanks	211
Others	6

NON-BINDING QUESTION:

SHALL THE TOWN OF OAK BLUFFS CONTINUE TO ALLOW THE USE OF TOWN PROPERTY FOR EVENTS RELATED TO SHARK TOURNAMENTS?

YES:	458
NO:	386
BLANKS:	128

ATTEST:

Deborah deB. Ratcliff, Town Clerk

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL TOWN MEETING JUNE 26, 2007

The meeting was called to order in the cafetorium of the Oak Bluffs School on Tradewinds Road at 7:05 pm with 133 voters present. Moderator David Richardson introduced the newly elected Constable Sharon Rzemien to the voters. He then asked everyone to acknowledge the many years of service given by the former Constable Richard Mavro as well as his many years of service as the town Building Inspector. The Moderator then led the assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance. With the announcement that the warrant for this meeting had been properly posted, the motion was then made and duly seconded to open this meeting to act upon the following articles.

Article 1. Voted as amended, in excess of the required 2/3rds, to appropriate a sum of money not to exceed One Million One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1.1 million) to pay costs of purchasing or taking by eminent domain pursuant to M.G.L. c. 79, or pursuant to any other enabling authority, the property off Pennsylvania Avenue, commonly referred to as **the Leonardo Property**, for future wastewater treatment plant expansion or any other purpose approved by Town Meeting, consisting of the following lots:

Map 21, Parcel 82 and 84

Map 29, Parcel 158

and to pay all other costs incidental and related thereto. The amount will be raised by taxation, by transfer from available funds, by borrowing or otherwise.

Wastewater Commission and Board of Selectmen

Article 2. Voted, as amended, in excess of the required 2/3rds to appropriate a sum of money not to exceed Four Hundred and Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$420,000.) to pay costs of purchasing or taking by eminent domain pursuant to M.G.L. c. 79, or pursuant to any other enabling authority the **property located on Pennsylvania Avenue** consisting of approximately 1.00 acres and identified on Oak Bluffs Assessor's Map as Map 21 Lot 85, and assessed by the Oak Bluffs Assessors' Office at \$274,400, for future wastewater expansion or any other purpose approved by Town Meeting, and to pay all other costs incidental and related thereto, The amount will be raised by taxation, by transfer from available funds, by borrowing or otherwise.

Wastewater Commission and Board of Selectmen

Article 3. Voted unanimously to appropriate a sum not to exceed \$12,500 from the Ambulance Reserve Fund for the purpose of **purchasing computer hardware** to complete the update to the Ambulance Department in order to meet reporting standards under federal and state guidelines, and to provide the ability to transfer electronic health data between EMTs, the Martha's Vineyard Communication Center, and the Martha's Vineyard Hospital.

Ambulance Department

Article 4. Voted unanimously to appropriate a sum not to exceed \$6,500 from the Ambulance Reserve Fund for the purpose of **purchasing radios and pagers** for Ambulance Department vehicles and personnel.

Ambulance Department

Article 5. Voted to appropriate from the available CPA funding sources as follow:

From Reserves for Community Housing: \$ 50,000

for the following purposes based upon the CPA Committee recommendation to spend \$226,000 for the following projects:

<u>Project Title</u>	<u>Organization</u>	<u>Amount Recommended</u>
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Old Library Conversion Project

OB Affordable Housing Committee \$50,000

Community Preservation Committee, Affordable Housing Committee and Board of Selectmen

Article 6. Voted to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire the following land parcels and/or rights in land parcels for the purpose of obtaining a secure and public right of way. This will allow for the construction and roadway safety improvements know as **the Oak Bluffs Ave. and Lake Ave. Reconstruction Project:**

Thirteen permanent easements totaling 3,124 sq. feet.

Fourteen temporary easements totaling 3,728 sq. feet.

Further that the Selectmen may acquire these parcels, or modification of these parcels or other related parcels through all legal means. This includes donations, purchase or eminent domain. The subject parcels are currently identified on plans drafted by Greenman-Pedersen, Inc. titled "Reconstruction of Oak Bluffs Avenue and Lake Avenue in Oak Bluffs. Further to raise and appropriate an amount not to exceed \$1,000 to defray any associated right of way expenses connected with this project.

Parking and Traffic Committee and Board of Selectmen

Article 7. Voted, as amended, to appropriate a sum not to exceed \$35,000 from the Resident Homesite Trust Fund to the **Island Housing Trust** for the purpose of assisting IHT in purchasing a home currently in foreclosure which is part of the Resident Homesite Program. This article is intended to provide money to allow the Island Housing Trust to maintain the house as an affordable unit under the Department of Housing and Community Development guidelines.

Board of Selectmen

Article 8. Voted, as amended, to transfer from free cash a sum not to exceed \$12,000 for the purpose of repairing and replacing plumbing and showers and other necessary repairs to the **"Pay Beach" comfort facilities.**

Board of Selectmen

Moderator Richardson announced that he would be removing himself as Moderator on the following article and requested that nominations be made from the floor for a temporary moderator. The motion was made, duly seconded to nominate former town moderator Duncan Ross. Nominations were then closed and he was duly elected to act as moderator for the upcoming discussions on the following article. These discussions included a request for an Australian ballot which was ultimately voted down. The final standing vote was taken following an hour of discussion from both sides.

Article 9. This petitioned article requesting the Town to vote to rescind the vote taken at Town Meeting on Tuesday, April 10, 2007 to appropriate from the available CPC funding sources \$200,000 for **Viera Park baseball facility expansion** and as described in warrant article 10,

section six failed to achieve the required majority vote. The standing vote was 89 no to 80 yes.

Petitioned Article

202 of the 2968 registered voters attended this meeting. Following the vote taken on the last article, Moderator Ross asked for a motion to close this meeting at 9:00 pm which was immediately made, seconded and so voted. He then asked all to give a standing ovation to Dennis Alley, our retiring Fire Chief for his many years of service, to which all immediately rose and applauded.

A TRUE COPY:

ATTEST:

Deborah deB. Ratcliff, Town Clerk

REPORT OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING DECEMBER 11, 2007

This meeting was called to order in the cafetorium of the Oak Bluffs School on Tradewinds Road at 7:05 pm with 120 voters present. Moderator David Richardson led the assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance and then invited Rene Balter of the Oak Bluffs Association to the microphone. On behalf of the Oak Bluffs Association Ms Balter presented plaques to Mark Crossland of Crossland Landscape and to the Town in recognition of their efforts towards the beautification of Oak Bluffs. Kerry Scott, as Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, accepted on behalf of the Town.

Following these presentations, Moderator Richardson announced that the service of the warrant was in order and a quorum was present and the voters in attendance proceeded to act upon the articles as follows.

Article 1. Voted unanimously to transfer from Free Cash to the Stabilization Fund the amount of \$200,000.

Finance Committee

Article 2. Voted unanimously to transfer from Free Cash an amount not to exceed \$44,000 to make improvements to the Sailing Camp Park Mainstay Building.

Conservation Commission

Article 3. Voted unanimously to transfer from Free Cash an amount not to exceed \$22,000 to pay costs of upgrading and purchasing Microsoft Office licenses.

Information Technologies

Article 4. Voted unanimously to transfer from Free Cash, in the following amount and to the following entity, to pay prior year bill incurred by the Town in Fiscal Year 2007:

<u>Amount</u>	<u>Payee</u>
\$954.00	Buddy's Auto Repair

Highway Department

Article 5. Voted in the majority to transfer from the Ambulance Reserve Fund an amount not to exceed \$34,713 to fund the purchase of a new four wheel drive police vehicle.

Police and Fire Departments

Article 6. Voted unanimously to transfer from the Ambulance Reserve Fund an amount not to exceed \$7,078 to fund the equipping and refurbishing of a former police vehicle for service within the Fire Department.

Police and Fire Departments

Article 7. Voted unanimously to transfer from the Ambulance Reserve Fund an amount not to exceed \$11,050 to fund the purchase of equipment to standardize all police vehicles, to include protective helmets, vests, and less lethal munitions.

Police Department

Article 8. This article requesting an amount to fund the purchase of weapons for the Oak Bluffs public safety patrol vessel was **withdrawn**.

Police Department

Article 9. Voted unanimously to transfer from Free Cash an amount not to exceed \$40,000 to pay costs of replacing the failing boiler in the Police Station with a new HVAC system.

Highway Department

Article 10. Voted unanimously to transfer from Free Cash an amount not to exceed \$20,000 to pay the costs of installing heat and insulation in the Kennebec Avenue bathrooms to allow them to be open for the winter season.

Board of Selectmen

Article 11. Voted unanimously, as amended, to transfer from the available CPA funding sources as follows:

From Reserves for Community Housing: \$107,966.60
From Available CPA funds: \$68,033.40

for the following purpose based upon the CPA Committee recommendation to spend \$176,000 for the following projects:

<u>Project Title (Alphabetical order)</u>	<u>Organization</u>	<u>Amount Recommended</u>
Old Library Conversion Project		

OB Affordable Housing Committee \$176,000

Community Preservation Committee

Article 12. Voted unanimously to transfer from Free Cash an amount not to exceed \$65,000 to fund an engineering survey of the beach, bank and seawall from the North Bluff to Farm Pond for the purpose of a structural assessment and beach re-nourishment profiling.

Conservation Commission

Article 13. Voted unanimously to transfer from Free Cash an amount not to exceed \$46,200 to fund an engineering survey for the purpose of making improvements to the road layout, sidewalks, railings and other landside improvements from the North Bluff to Farm Pond pursuant to the Community Development Council's Beach Task Force master plan.

Board of Selectmen

Article 14. Voted unanimously to authorize the deed executed by the Oak Bluffs Selectmen on September 27, 2005 to Richard Dubin and Alan Schweikert. This vote needed for the sole purpose of clarifying title and complying with Land Court guidelines.

Board of Selectmen

Article 15. Voted unanimously, as amended, to amend Personnel Bylaw Sections 4.1.1, 4.1.2, 4.1.3, and 4.3.2 as follows:

4.1. Composition

4.1.1. Members - There shall be a Personnel Board of five (5) members who serve, without compensation, for terms of three years or to complete a three year term. No member shall be a regular full time employee of the Town.

4.1.2. Appointing Authorities - In order to ensure unique independence and jurisdiction, the Board members shall be

appointed by different appointing authorities. Two (2) members shall be appointed by the Selectmen, one (1) by the Moderator and two (2) by the Finance and Advisory Committee.

4.1.3. Term - Terms will begin on July 1 of the appointing year, are for three years, and are staggered in three year cycles. The terms of the two additional members of the Board added by the amendment to this by-law voted at the Special Town Meeting on December 11, 2007 (one to be appointed by the Selectmen and one to be appointed by the Finance and Advisory Committee) shall begin immediately upon the Town's adoption of this amendment and their respective appointments, and shall continue through June 30, 2010.

4.3 Organization

4.3.2 On all Board actions, every member is required by statute to register a vote or to formally abstain. A quorum of at least three (3) members constitutes a meeting; in the event of a tie vote, the motion shall be defeated per Robert's Rules of Order.

Personnel Board, Finance Committee, Board of Selectmen

Article 16. Voted unanimously to transfer from Free Cash an amount not to exceed \$6,992 to bring two positions governed by the Personnel Bylaws to the first step of the compensation ranges proposed in the 2007 Classification and Compensation Study. The compensation changes for these positions, which are non-union and not under personal services contracts, will be made effective January 1, 2008.

Information Technology Manager
\$4,140 for the remainder of FY 2008
(\$690 per month through June 2008)

Town Accountant
\$2,852 for remainder of FY 2008
(\$475.33 per month through June 2008)

Personnel Board, Board of Selectmen

Article 17. Voted unanimously to accept the position classifications and compensation ranges, proposed by MRI, Inc. in their 2007 Classification and Compensation Study, for use in FY2009 budgeting and contingent upon submission of a plan to the 2008 annual town meeting for phased implementation of the new classifications and compensation ranges.

Personnel Board

Following the vote on the last article, the motion was made, moved and seconded to close this meeting at 7:55 pm.

ATTEST:

Deborah deB. Ratcliff, Town Clerk

RETURNS OF MARRIAGES RECORDED IN 2007

Date	Name	Residence
JANUARY		
6	PAUL D. PICKARD ANNE BENNETT	OAK BLUFFS, MA TISBURY, MA
13	JOSHUA E. ARONIE ANGELA T. BURBANK	OAK BLUFFS, MA WEST TISBURY, MA
5	CHRISTOPHER NELSON HOXSIE SONIA NEIVA DA COSTA	OAK BLUFFS, MA CHILMARK, MA
6	CHRISTIAN ANDRE MAEDA CRISTIANE MIRANDA GONTIGO	OAK BLUFFS, MA OAK BLUFFS, MA
22	REGINALDO ALVES DA SILVEIRA POLLYANNA MAGALHAES DA SILVA	OAK BLUFFS, MA OAK BLUFFS, MA
FEBRUARY		
13	MICHAEL S. UNDERWOOD NILVA J. BARBOSA	OAK BLUFFS, MA OAK BLUFFS, MA
14	JASON ARTHUR BEN DAVID LYNN ALISON WEBSTER	OAK BLUFFS, MA OAK BLUFFS, MA
14	CARLOS R. DEOLIVEIRA LISA DEETTE STRELECKI	WEST TISBURY, MA WEST TISBURY, MA
MARCH		
10	HUMBERTO SAMPAIO LANDIM JANE EILEEN MCGROARTY	OAK BLUFFS, MA OAK BLUFFS, MA
APRIL		
14	MICHAEL D.F. GILLESPIE CAMERON LIEFF KAUFMANN	OAK BLUFFS, MA OAK BLUFFS, MA
14	GARY JOSEPH KMETZ JENNIFER MARIE LEARY	NORTHAMPTON, MA NORTHAMPTON, MA
21	MARQUISANDRO C. ROBADEL FRANCINE K. VIEIRA DEPAULA	OAK BLUFFS, MA OAK BLUFFS, MA
26	GELSO A. PEREIRA JR MAGDA DE FREITAS SILVA	OAK BLUFFS, MA OAK BLUFFS, MA
MAY		
5	ALEXANDER KEITH MCCLUSKEY CORINNE MICHELE KURTZ	OAK BLUFFS, MA OAK BLUFFS, MA
19	ROBERT DENNIS CAROLYN ANN ECKEL	ENFIELD, CT ENFIELD, CT
22	JOHN SHANNON BIANCHI FELICIA TAMARA TAYLOR	OAK BLUFFS, MA OAK BLUFFS, MA

MARRIAGES - Continued

Date	Name	Residence
JUNE		
2	SHEILA IRENE SENNOT ROSE MARY MOK	OAK BLUFFS, MA OAK BLUFFS, MA
2	DAVID WALTER BUDKINS EVE JACKSON daROSA	GREENWICH, CT GREENWICH, CT
9	CHARLES EDWARD SILVIA SARAH ELIZABETH REDMAN	OAK BLUFFS, MA OAK BLUFFS, MA
10	GEORGE CUPAK CAROLYN M. OSBOURNE	MARLBORO, MA FRAMINGHAM, MA
10	JULIAN FREEMAN WISE STACY S. JEPHCOTE	WEST TISBURY, MA WEST TISBURY, MA
15	MAURICE LEO O'CONNOR III BETH BROOKER BLANKENSHIP	OAK BLUFFS, MA OAK BLUFFS, MA
23	MICHAEL JOHN ANDERSON KIMBERLY LASHONE SMITH	KATY, TEXAS KATY, TEXAS
26	SEAN CHRISTOPHER FLYNN REBECCA ANNE DONNELLY	OAK BLUFFS, MA OAK BLUFFS, MA
28	DARREN JOHN GARVEY CRYSTAL EILEEN HUGHES	OAK BLUFFS, MA OAK BLUFFS, MA
30	BRIAN CARLETON GIBSON SIMONE RODRIGUES da SILVA	OAK BLUFFS, MA OAK BLUFFS, MA
JULY		
7	NICHOLAS PATTERSON BUTLER OLIVIA BENOIT LAW	OAK BLUFFS, MA OAK BLUFFS, MA
7	GEOFFREY CHARLES L. CULBERTSON MARY KATHERINE CHELUNE	ANN ARBOR, MI ANN ARBOR, MI
14	MAHLON PAXSON LAIRD III REBECCA CROSSLEY BLANK	BALTIMORE, MD BALTIMORE, MD
16	JEAN MARQUES DA SILVA KENIA VIANA AREDES	OAK BLUFFS, MA OAK BLUFFS, MA
22	MICHAEL PAUL MORTARA, JR ANNE STEVENSON HERRICK	NEW YORK, NY NEW YORK, NY
AUGUST		
4	JEFFREY DAVID CROWELL CLAIRE VICTORIA WARNER	PORT ST. LUCIE, FL WEST SUSSEX, UK

MARRIAGES - Continued

Date	Name	Residence
AUGUST		
4	SCOTT ALLEN HERSHOWITZ JULIE LYN VEROST	OAK BLUFFS, MA CHILMARK, MA
5	MICHAEL GORDON WEST LINDA MAY BLACK	WEST TISBURY, MA ONTARIO, CANADA
5	ANDREW CHAPMAN KRIESLER CLAIRE BRUNNER VUILLEMOT	ASTORIA, NY ASTORIA, NY
8	RONALD EDWARD GRAY-BRUZDA LIDIA MARTA CORREIA LOPES	OAK BLUFFS, MA OAK BLUFFS, MA
8	GREGORY LAWRENCE HALL CRYSTAL MINNETTE SMITH	NEW BRUNSWICK, NJ NEW BRUNSWICK, NJ
8	MARC H. BOULET MARLUCIA V. DOS SANTOS	OAK BLUFFS, MA OAK BLUFFS, MA
9	WAGNO SILVA JULIANA FRANCISCA DE JESUS	EDGARTOWN, MA EDGARTOWN, MA
17	ROBERT JAMES WELCH ELIZABETH FLANDERS CAMPBELL	OAK BLUFFS, MA CHILMARK, MA
20	CHRISTOPHER JON JACKSON BETH ELISSE LEWIS	BEACON, NY BEACON, NY
25	JONATHAN DAVID McCracken ALICIA DAVIES RABBITT	OAK BLUFFS, MA OAK BLUFFS, MA
27	AKAVIT LAOTHONG CASSANDRA LYNN NORMAN	NANTUCKET, MA NANTUCKET, MA
30	BRANDON ISAAC LEBLANC KRISTEN MARIE PLANTE	WEST YARMOUTH, MA EDGARTOWN, MA
SEPTEMBER		
1	WHITNEY KENT CHAMBERLIN JESSICA AUGUSTA CHAMBERLIN	ATLANTA, GA ATLANTA, GA
15	ALBERT DAVIS THOMAS, JR ARIEL SYLVIA	OAK BLUFFS, MA OAK BLUFFS, MA
15	WESLEY MACHADO SILVA TALITA VAZ DESTAFANI	OAK BLUFFS, MA TISBURY, MA
16	SAMUEL KENNETH FRANKLIN JONES JEANINE BARI PRIMM	WHITE PLAINS, NY BALTIMORE, MD
21	AZEEM JASON ROBINSON - DOWNES TARA KERLY ETIENNE	BURBANK, CA BURBANK, CA

MARRIAGES - Continued

Date	Name	Residence
SEPTEMBER		
22	DONALD WILLIAM GREGORY JR EILEEN GARCIA	OAK BLUFFS, MA OAK BLUFFS, MA
OCTOBER		
2	ROBERT ANDRZEJ WRONA KATARZYNA KOLENDA	LITTLE FALLS, NJ HOBOKEN, NJ
6	COLIN GREGORY NICHOLSON ROBIN JOY MARVIN	NEW ROCHELLE, NY NEW ROCHELLE, NY
9	DONALD R. COMBRA DONNA C. ITSE	OAK BLUFFS, MA OAK BLUFFS, MA
13	NICHOLAS WILLIAM CURELLI NICOLE DEE KISIELEWSKI	OAK BLUFFS, MA OAK BLUFFS, MA
20	ALEXANDER ANTHONY FRANK GANN SYDNEY CATHERINE GARY	HUNTINGTON, NY HUNTINGTON, NY
20	BRIAN KIRWAN DOWLEY MIRIAM DALE MICHAELSON	CAMBRIDGE, MA CAMBRIDGE, MA
NOVEMBER		
13	JOSEPH L. BLAIS, JR ELIZABETH MARIE CIER	OAK BLUFFS, MA OAK BLUFFS, M
17	CORNELIS ANDRIES VAN ROOYEN KATHY MARIE DOEL	OAK BLUFFS, MA MANHATTAN, NY
26	MARIA CRISTIANA COSTA GEOVANI FIGUEIREDO ROCHA	OAK BLUFFS, MA OAK BLUFFS, MA
DECEMBER		
23	JONATHAN HALL HARTZBAND SKYE SONNEBORN	OAK BLUFFS, MA OAK BLUFFS, MA
29	GILMAR EUZEBIO COELHO JANELLE MARIE GILSTAD	OAK BLUFFS, MA OAK BLUFFS, MA

RETURNS OF DEATHS RECORDED IN 2007

Date	Name	Age	Residence
JANUARY			
10	PATRICIA W. LOVELL	99	EDGARTOWN, MA
14	MICHAEL D. JENKINSON, SR	62	OAK BLUFFS, MA
22	JOHN MICHAEL DIAS	46	EDGARTOWN, MA
29	LUCIA ANNA AIELLO	91	TISBURY, MA
31	JOSEPH CABRAL MELLO	92	EDGARTOWN, MA
FEBRUARY			
10	ALICE DIAS COUTINHO	92	OAK BLUFFS, MA
12	ROBERT HILL SAYLES	69	TISBURY, MA
15	ZBIGNIEW S. JAWORSKI	84	TISBURY, MA
15	MAXWELL U. JONES	45	OAK BLUFFS, MA
16	BARBARA DEAN HART	87	TISBURY, MA
20	JANET JOHNSTON DRUMMOND	100	OAK BLUFFS, MA
MARCH			
1	HERBERT EDWARD TUCKER, JR	91	OAK BLUFFS, MA
2	HAROLD F. CROFT	77	OAK BLUFFS, MA
24	DONNA LEE LAFOUNTAIN	45	TISBURY, MA
25	BERNICE EMMA BENWAY	86	OAK BLUFFS, MA
25	IONE F. RICH	86	TISBURY, MA
25	LAWRENCE C. KEHOE	84	OAK BLUFFS, MA
APRIL			
6	HENRY P. PERRINE, JR.	72	OAK BLUFFS, MA
16	GABRIELL GOMES DECAMPOS	26 MIN	TISBURY, MA
17	ARTHUR M. CONWAY, JR.	46	OAK BLUFFS, MA
20	WALTER LEO COOK	86	OAK BLUFFS, MA
28	DAVID T. WELLS	66	SHELDON, VT
MAY			
8	PHILIP REED CRAIG	73	EDGARTOWN, MA
11	MARIA LOPES	105	NEW BEDFORD, MA
24	MILES STAHL CARPENTER	90	TISBURY, MA

DEATHS - Continued

Date	Name	Age	Residence
MAY			
25	PAUL ANTONE PETRICONE JR	64	OAK BLUFFS, MA
26	LLOYD J. NIEDERLITZ	87	VENICE, FLORIDA
JUNE			
2	LOUISE ATHEARN KERNICK	86	WEST TISBURY, MA
8	RUTH GRACE MERRILL	89	OAK BLUFFS, MA
10	EVE BERRY	85	TISBURY, MA
21	HORACE ELMER WADSWORTH, JR.	79	OAK BLUFFS, MA
22	HELEN LOUISE JOHNSON	68	ALEXANDRIA, VA
28	DONALD CORTLAND GRAVES	30	UNKNOWN
30	WILLIAM HENRY ISHERWOOD JR.	52	FAIRHAVEN, MA
JULY			
3	MARGARET G. WALSH	90	WRENTHAM, MA
8	EVELYN M. SILVIA	89	OAK BLUFFS, MA
15	RONALD SCOTT CHARVES	30	DARTMOUTH, MA
17	JOHN HARDWICK STEMBLER, JR.	63	ATLANTA, GA
18	HENRY ANTON SLAUGHTER, JR	75	TISBURY, MA
AUGUST			
3	CAROLYN WARING VERBECK	86	WEST TISBURY, MA
15	KATHARINE GERTRUDE HOYT	99	OAK BLUFFS, MA
15	BARBARA JEAN DAY HERSEY	88	KEY WEST, FLORIDA
19	SCOTT MARIO CASASSA	51	HOPKINTON, MA
27	THEODORE R. BERNARD	59	EDGARTOWN, MA
SEPTEMBER			
8	NINA SCHNEIDER	94	WEST TISBURY, MA
20	MARY MALOY WALKER	50	TISBURY, MA
OCTOBER			
2	WILLIAM J. NICHOLSON III	61	OAK BLUFFS, MA
5	ROBERT STRAIGHT SANBORN	95	OAK BLUFFS, MA
6	LEONARD JASON, SR	92	CHILMARK, MA
8	ANNA LOUISE HOGLUND	97	EDGARTOWN, MA

DEATHS - Continued

Date	Name	Age	Residence
OCTOBER			
11	BEULAH TINGLEY CALLAGHAN	90	VENICE, FLORIDA
11	RUBY MARGARET DOWNIE	88	OAK BLUFFS, MA
12	EMILY NORTON MAGNUSON	90	OAK BLUFFS, MA
13	JAMES LOWEL OAKES	83	BRATTLEBORO, VT
18	EDWIN SCOTT SMITH	70	OAK BLUFFS, MA
31	HELEN CHAMBERLIN	81	OAK BLUFFS, MA
NOVEMBER			
10	MARCILINO A. BLANCO	47	TISBURY, MA
20	CARL BRANSON ANDERSON	80	MULBERRY, FL
22	ORLAND SMITH MAYHEW ALWARDT	74	OAK BLUFFS, MA
25	MARK W. IMELT	62	HAMILTON, OHIO
27	PATRICIA ANN MATHEWS	71	TISBURY, MA
DECEMBER			
5	WILLIAM BATES BAKER	94	EDGARTOWN, MA
12	HERBERT ANDERSON SEARLE	92	TISBURY, MA
19	JANET E. GIBBONS	91	OAK BLUFFS, MA
20	RUTH BLANKENSHIP HUGHES	92	OAK BLUFFS, MA
23	JOSEPH DAVID STEWART	63	OAK BLUFFS, MA
25	JEAN CLANCY KNAPP	87	OAK BLUFFS, MA
26	LOUIS JOSEPH ESTRELLA	88	OAK BLUFFS, MA

PERSONNEL BOARD REPORT

The Personnel Board exists to develop the rules and regulations for administering the town's non-union, non-school personnel, as well as to act in an advisory capacity about other personnel. The Town Administrator, reporting to the Board of Selectmen, has accountability for implementing personnel policies and practices for all non-school personnel; while the School Committee and School Principal have implementation accountability for school personnel.

At the end of 2007 Oak Bluffs taxpayers were directly paying for: 221 full- and part-time employees:

- 121 union personnel (74 education-related, 11 police, 36 general government-related),
- 96 non-union personnel
- 4 personal services contracts (2 education-related and 2 general-government-related)

In addition, the taxpayers were paying for 21 elected or appointed officials who are compensated (5 Selectmen; 3 Cemetery Commissioners; 3 Members, Board of Health; 3 Members, Board of Assessors, 4 Members, Board of Registrars; 2 Constables, Town Clerk)

The personnel environment in Oak Bluffs is very complex due to the breadth of individuals and bargaining units with which the town must interact. The Personnel Board is working hard to bring consistency and equitability to all personnel practices, as well as to foster open communication with the voters and taxpayers. With these principals firmly in mind, the Board focused on the following activities in 2007:

- 1) Reviewing 16 of the 19 personal services contracts in Oak Bluffs and recommending that 14 of these contracts be converted to regular employee status. Now the only positions with personal services contracts are the Town Administrator; the Chief of Police; and two Oak Bluffs school personnel - the Principal and the Vice President.
- 2) Overseeing the completion of a Classification and Compensation Study for Town employees as

approved at town meeting in early 2007, the first such study conducted in over six years.

- 3) Beginning a review of the Oak Bluffs Personnel Bylaws with the goal of developing a comprehensive Human Resources Policy and practices manual for the Town.
- 4) Expanding the personnel information in the annual town report to include position rates for pay. This had been requested by many voters and taxpayers.
- 5) Assisting the Town Administrator to design a Human Resources function for the Town.
- 6) Dealing with personnel policy issues as requested by the Board of Selectmen and/or the Town Administrator.

In the coming year the Personnel Board will focus on:

- 1) Developing an implementation plan for the recently-completed Classification and Compensation Study
- 2) Developing a new Human Resources Policy and Practices Manual, and proposing revisions to the Town's Personnel Bylaws as appropriate.
- 3) Assisting the Town Administrator in the implementation of a Human Resources function.

All of these activities will be critically important for enabling consistency and equitability in all the town's human resource areas.

Late in 2007, a special town meeting approved the expansion of the Personnel Board from three to five appointed members. We look forward to welcoming two new members in 2008.

Oak Bluffs is fortunate to have many capable employees and we sincerely thank them for their dedication and hard work.

Respectfully submitted,

MIMI DAVISSON
CARL GREEN
JOHN LOLLEY

PERSONNEL BOARD

CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM

Adopted at Special Town Meeting, December 11, 2007

Grade	Department	Position	Grade	Department	Position
1	Library	Aide		Finance	Assistant Assessor
3	Highway	Custodian		Finance	Assistant Treasurer
4	BoH	Admin Assistant I		Highway	Parks Foreman
	Conservation	Property Manager		Police	Office Admin II
	Finance	Administrative Clerk		Police	Patrol Officer
	Library	Assistant		Wastewater	Mechanic Operator
	Police	Asst. Animal Ctl. Officer	8	Building	Admin/Local Inspector
	Wastewater	Junior Operator		Library	Ref Librarian/Asst Direct
5	Ambulance	EMT Basic	9	CoA	Director
	Bd of Reg	Admin Assistant II		Highway	Foreman
	Building	Zoning Administrator		Selectmen	Office Admin III
	Clerk	Assistant Town Clerk	10	Conservation	Agent
	CoA	Outreach Coordinator	11	Ambulance	Ambulance Chief/ Paramedic Agent
	Highway	Cemetery Skilled Laborer		BoH	Agent
	Highway	Office Administrator I		Building	Inspector of Buildings
	Highway	Skilled Laborer		Clerk	Town Clerk
	Library	Library Associate		Finance	Principal Assessor
	Police	Animal Control Officer		Finance	Tax Collector
	Shellfish	Dep Shellfish Constable		Finance	Town Accountant
	Wastewater	Office Admin / Lab Tech		Harbor	Harbormaster/Marina Mgr
6	Ambulance	Admin Assistant III		Library	Director
	Ambulance	EMT Intermediate		Police	Sergeant
	Finance	Admin Assistant III		Shellfish	Constable
	Highway	Carpenter		Wastewater	Facilities Manager
	Highway	Heavy Equipment Operator	12	Finance	Director/Treasurer
	Library	Children's Librarian		Selectmen	IT Manager
	Police	Admin Assistant III	13	Fire	Fire Chief
	Selectmen	Admin Assistant III		Highway	Superintendent
7	Ambulance	Paramedic		Police	Lieutenant
	Ambulance	Paramedic Lieutenant	15	Police	Chief
	CoA	Assistant Director	18	Selectmen	Town Administrator

PERSONNEL BOARD

COMPENSATION RANGES

Adopted at Special Town Meeting, December 11, 2007

Pay Grade	Step 5 per Hour	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
1		\$13.22	\$13.62	\$14.03	\$14.45	\$14.88	\$15.33	\$15.79	\$16.26
2		\$14.28	\$14.71	\$15.15	\$15.60	\$16.07	\$16.55	\$17.05	\$17.56
3		\$15.42	\$15.88	\$16.36	\$16.85	\$17.36	\$17.88	\$18.41	\$18.96
4		\$16.65	\$17.15	\$17.67	\$18.20	\$18.74	\$19.31	\$19.89	\$20.48
5		\$17.99	\$18.53	\$19.08	\$19.65	\$20.24	\$20.85	\$21.48	\$22.12
6		\$19.42	\$20.01	\$20.61	\$21.23	\$21.86	\$22.52	\$23.19	\$23.89
7		\$20.98	\$21.61	\$22.26	\$22.92	\$23.61	\$24.32	\$25.05	\$25.80
8		\$22.66	\$23.34	\$24.04	\$24.76	\$25.50	\$26.27	\$27.05	\$27.86
9		\$24.47	\$25.20	\$25.96	\$26.74	\$27.54	\$28.37	\$29.22	\$30.09
10		\$26.43	\$27.22	\$28.04	\$28.88	\$29.74	\$30.64	\$31.56	\$32.50
11		\$29.07	\$29.94	\$30.84	\$31.77	\$32.72	\$33.70	\$34.71	\$35.75
12		\$31.98	\$32.94	\$33.92	\$34.94	\$35.99	\$37.07	\$38.18	\$39.33
13		\$35.17	\$36.23	\$37.24	\$38.44	\$39.59	\$40.78	\$42.00	\$43.26
14		\$38.69	\$39.85	\$41.05	\$42.28	\$43.55	\$44.85	\$46.20	\$47.59
15		\$42.56	\$43.84	\$45.15	\$46.51	\$47.90	\$49.34	\$50.82	\$52.34
16		\$46.82	\$48.22	\$49.67	\$51.16	\$52.69	\$54.27	\$55.90	\$57.58
17		\$51.50	\$53.04	\$54.63	\$56.27	\$57.96	\$59.70	\$61.49	\$63.34
18		\$56.65	\$58.35	\$60.10	\$61.90	\$63.76	\$65.67	\$67.64	\$69.67
19		\$62.31	\$64.18	\$66.11	\$68.09	\$70.13	\$72.24	\$74.41	\$76.64
20		\$68.54	\$70.60	\$72.72	\$74.90	\$77.15	\$79.46	\$81.85	\$84.30

PERSONNEL BOARD

YEAR-END 2007 POSITION PAY RATES

for Positions Earning More than \$20,000 per Year (excluding Overtime)

Position	Annual Pay Rate	Position	Annual Pay Rate
Police Chief (Includes Quinn Bill)	\$108,023	Police Officer (Includes Quinn Bill)	\$82,596
Oak Bluffs Principal (Acting)	\$97,500	Police Officer (Includes Quinn Bill)	\$82,596
Police Lt. (Includes Quinn Bill)	\$96,678	Highway Superintendent	\$82,538
Police Sergeant (Includes Quinn Bill)	\$94,307	K-4 Guidance	\$81,603
Police Sergeant (Includes Quinn Bill)	\$90,833	Finance Director/Treasurer	\$78,466
Town Administrator	\$89,700	Special Needs Grades 4 & 5 Teacher	\$76,707
Police Officer (Includes Quinn Bill)	\$82,596	Grade 3 Teacher	\$75,558
Police Officer (Includes Quinn Bill)	\$82,596	Grade 4 Teacher	\$75,558

Position	Annual Pay Rate	Position	Annual Pay Rate
Grade 6 Teacher	\$75,558	Tax Collector	\$49,374
Kindergarten Teacher	\$75,558	Science: Grades 7 & 8 Teacher	\$49,076
Kindergarten Teacher	\$75,558	Parks Foreman	\$48,984
Special Needs K, 1 & 3 Teacher	\$75,558	Assistant Treasurer	\$48,549
Grade 2 Teacher	\$74,150	School Custodian	\$48,336
Grade 3 Teacher	\$73,732	School Custodian	\$48,336
Grade 3 Teacher	\$73,732	Conservation Agent	\$47,819
Grade 5 Teacher	\$73,732	Grade 3 Teacher	\$47,694
Reading Teacher	\$73,732	School Secretary	\$47,506
Grade 5 Teacher	\$71,907	Reference Librarian/Assist Director	\$47,478
Teaching Librarian	\$71,178	Town Carpenter	\$47,070
Police Officer (Includes Quinn Bill)	\$70,512	Council on Aging Director	\$46,283
Building Official	\$69,514	Admin Assistant Police Dept	\$46,134
Math: Grades 7 & 8 Teacher	\$69,362	Wastewater Plant Director	\$46,000
Grade 2 Teacher	\$68,974	Math Grade 7 Teacher	\$45,786
Art Teacher	\$68,235	School Nurse	\$45,786
Kindergarten Teacher	\$68,235	ZBA Administrator	\$45,677
Grade 1 Teacher	\$67,145	EMT	\$45,344
Police Detective	\$66,081	Highway Administrator	\$44,083
ELA Grade 8 Teacher	\$65,695	Children's Librarian	\$43,978
Grade 1 Teacher	\$65,695	School Custodian	\$43,764
Physical Education Teacher	\$65,695	EMT	\$43,326
Police Officer (Includes Quinn Bill)	\$65,165	EMT	\$43,264
School Technologist Coordinator	\$64,695	School Administrative Assistant	\$40,539
Special Needs Grades 7 & 8 Teacher	\$64,695	School Technologist	\$40,250
EMT Coordinator	\$64,126	Heavy Equipment Operator	\$39,874
Town Clerk	\$63,924	Heavy Equipment Operator	\$39,874
Grade 5 Teacher	\$61,861	EMT	\$39,520
Special Needs Grades 5 - 6 Teacher	\$61,014	Assist Director Council on Aging	\$38,620
Library Director	\$60,706	Skilled Laborer	\$38,292
Grade 6 Teacher	\$60,041	Heavy Equipment Operator	\$37,960
Math Resource Grade 6	\$60,041	Skilled Laborer	\$37,877
ESL Teacher	\$59,320	Head Cook	\$36,495
Vocal Music Teacher	\$58,823	School Secretary	\$36,252
4-8 Guidance	\$57,526	Town Custodian	\$36,026
EMT Lt.	\$56,160	Physical Ed/Health Teacher	\$35,294
Principal Assessor	\$55,983	Town Accountant	\$34,320
Selectmen Office Administrator	\$55,161	Skilled Laborer	\$34,300
Grade 4 Teacher	\$55,078	Home Arts Teacher	\$34,118
Grade 4 Teacher	\$55,078	Industrial Arts Teacher	\$34,118
Special Needs Grades 3 & 4 Teacher	\$55,078	Social Studies Grades 6 & 7 Teacher	\$33,801
Shellfish Constable	\$54,909	Police Receptionist	\$33,737
Spanish Grades 6-8 Teacher	\$54,464	Health Department Admin Assistant	\$33,270
Police Officer	\$54,308	Instrumental Music Teacher	\$32,848
Town Info Technology Director	\$54,072	Outreach Coordinator Council on Aging	\$32,614
Health Agent	\$52,458	Library Assistant	\$32,281
Social Studies Grades 7 & 8 Teacher	\$52,304	Library Assistant	\$32,281
Highway Foreman	\$52,104	Library Assistant	\$32,281
Head Custodian	\$51,657	School Custodian	\$31,790
EMT	\$51,022	Spanish Grades 2-5 Teacher	\$26,912
EMT	\$51,022	School Secretary	\$24,104
EMT	\$51,022	Health Teacher	\$23,529
Wastewater Lab Tech/Admin	\$49,754	Library Assistant	\$21,145
Wastewater Operator	\$49,754		

FINANCE

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
And the Citizens of the Town of Oak Bluffs:

The Board of Assessors is responsible for the full and fair valuation of all Oak Bluffs real and personal property for the purpose of the equitable distribution of the property tax burden. In order to attain that goal, the assessors maintain an extensive database containing the property characteristics of each parcel of real property in the Town, as well as all items of taxable personal property. Additionally, the assessors regularly collect and analyze data pertaining to recent real estate transactions, current costs of land acquisition and building construction, commercial market rents, vacancies, and expenses, and land use issues to assist them in the determination of market value.

Massachusetts General Laws dictate that property be assessed at full and fair valuation as of January 1st preceding the beginning of each fiscal year. We do this through an Interim Adjustment Program.

Every three years, the Department of Revenue performs a procedural audit of the assessors' work to certify that the Town is meeting its statutory requirement of full and fair value. This audit was completed in fiscal year 2008. Assessments are based on the previous calendar years' sales. This includes all sales that took place in calendar year 2006. We know from newspaper articles that the market was in terrible shape on the mainland. We experienced a slowdown of sales on the Island. Homes were on the market for a longer period of time but not necessarily selling at a significant reduction.

We did see a drop in assessed values for a majority of homes while some sections of town noticed an increase in their values.

The values on the average single family home increased from \$596,712 to \$602,932. Using this value, the tax bill for the average residence increased from approximately \$3,335.62 in Fiscal Year 2007 to \$3394.51 in fiscal year 2008. This is an increase of \$58.89 over last year.

The Fiscal Year 2008 tax rate is \$5.63. This is up four cents over last year's rate of \$5.59. The total value of the town went from \$2,816,473,295 to \$2,899,259,238.

Listed below are the amounts levied through the real and personal property tax, the motor vehicle excise tax during calendar year 2007, as well as the real estate exemptions granted for fiscal year 2007.

2007 TAX COMMITMENTS

Real Property (FY08)	\$ 16,094,740.96
Wastewater Special	
Assessment & Interest	\$ 464,637.26
Personal Property (FY08)	\$ 266,949.40
Motor Vehicle Excise (FY07)	\$ 681,145.28
CPA	\$ 211,281.46
Wastewater Lien & Interest	\$ 43,052.11
Boat (FY08)	\$ 10,214.00
Water Lien	\$ 7,031.60
Total Tax Commitments	\$17,779,052.07

2007 PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS

Clause 17D (Elderly, Surviving Spouse)	\$ 3,263.00
Clause 22 (Veterans)	\$ 10,100.00
Clause 37A (Blind)	\$ 1,500.00
Clause 41C (Elderly)	\$ 43,000.00
Clause 50 (Elderly Housing)	\$ 0.00
Clause 18 (Hardship)	\$ 5,468.17
Senior Work-off	\$ 4,719.42
Total Tax Exemptions	\$ 68,050.59

Respectfully submitted,

JESSE B. LAW, III, Chairman
MELANIE M. BILODEAU, Clerk
MARIE ALLEN
DIANNE WILSON, MMA, Principal Assessor

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
and the Citizens of the Town of Oak Bluffs:

In accordance with the State Statute, Section 6 of Chapter 41, I hereby submit the Annual Financial Report of the Town of Oak Bluffs for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007. The Town is audited yearly by a certified public accountant. The complete Auditor's report is available in

the Town Clerk's office during regular office hours.

Thanks to everyone for their cooperation over the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

KAREN GOMEZ
Town Accountant

TOWN OF OAK BLUFFS BALANCE SHEET FISCAL 2007

GENERAL FUND

CASH		\$1,892,400.74
RECEIVABLES		
TAXES:		
	PERSONAL PROPERTY 2001	\$128.03
	PERSONAL PROPERTY 2002	\$144.35
	PERSONAL PROPERTY 2003	\$163.29
	PERSONAL PROPERTY 2004	\$509.11
	PERSONAL PROPERTY 2005	\$2,443.38
	PERSONAL PROPERTY 2006	\$3,168.16
	PERSONAL PROPERTY 2007	\$12,601.35
	PERSONAL PROPERTY PRIOR YEARS	\$194.00
	REAL ESTATE 2007	\$461,923.71
	DEFERRED PROPERTY TAX A/R	\$44,672.60
		\$525,947.98
TAX LIENS		\$1,796,723.15
TAX FORECLOSURES		\$16,116.96
EXCISES: MOTOR VEHICLES 2001		\$6,320.81
MOTOR VEHICLES 2002		\$7,547.86
MOTOR VEHICLES 2003		\$11,434.03
MOTOR VEHICLES 2004		\$11,664.74
MOTOR VEHICLES 2005		\$15,626.91
MOTOR VEHICLES 2006		\$32,552.85
MOTOR VEHICLES 2007		\$95,774.85
MOTOR VEHICLES PRIOR YEARS		\$6,939.42
BOAT EXCISE 2001		\$190.00
BOAT EXCISE 2002		\$113.00
BOAT EXCISE 2003		\$175.00
	BOAT EXCISE 2004	\$215.00
	BOAT EXCISE 2005	\$438.00
	BOAT EXCISE 2006	\$830.15
BOAT EXCISE 2007		\$1,110.00
	BOAT EXCISE PRIOR YEARS	\$293.00
		\$191,225.62
ADVANCED PAYROLL		\$1,125.00
TOTAL ASSETS		\$4,423,539.45

**TOWN OF OAK BLUFFS
BALANCE SHEET FISCAL 2007**

LIABILITIES

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE		\$364,744.59
ACCRUED PAYROLL		\$430,180.85
PAYROLL WITHHOLDINGS:		
HEALTH/ LIFE INSURANCE		\$41,974.20
UNCLAIMED CHECKS/OVERPAYMENTS		\$ -
DEFERRED REVENUES:		
PROPERTY TAXES	\$391,855.79	
TAX LIENS	\$1,796,723.15	
TAX FORECLOSURES	\$16,116.96	
MOTOR VEHICLES	\$187,861.47	
BOAT EXCISE	\$3,364.15	
		\$2,395,921.52
PROVISION FOR ABATEMENTS/EXEMPTIONS		\$136,913.75
FUND BALANCES		
RESERVED FOR ENCUMBRANCES		\$30,374.99
RESERVED FOR EXPENDITURES		\$7,000.00
RESERVED FOR CONTINUED APPROPRIATIONS		\$321,592.57
RESERVED FOR OVERLAY DEFICITS		\$(970.53)
UNRESERVED		\$695,807.51
TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCES		\$4,423,539.45

SCHOOL LUNCH FUND

ASSETS

CASH	\$2,111.59
TOTAL ASSETS	\$2,111.59

LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCES

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	2095.99
UNRESERVED FUND	\$15.60
TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCES	\$2,111.59

HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENTS FUND

ASSETS

CASH	\$ -
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ -

**TOWN OF OAK BLUFFS
BALANCE SHEET FISCAL 2007**

LIABILITIES

UNRESERVED FUND	\$ -
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TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCES	\$ -
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REVOLVING FUNDS

ASSETS

CASH	\$419,844.89
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AMBULANCE RECEIVABLE	\$413,341.30
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TOTAL ASSETS	\$833,186.19
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LIABILITIES

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	\$19,260.91
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DEFERRED REVENUE AMBULANCE	\$413,341.30
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	\$432,602.21
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FUND BALANCES

MARINA REPAIRS	\$13,534.43
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OUTSIDE CONSULTANTS	\$3,730.50
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INSURANCE RECOVERY	\$ -
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SHELLFISH FUND	\$5,418.00
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WETLANDS PROTECTION	\$23,152.18
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PARKS/ RECREATION	\$2,865.68
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SALE OF COMPOST BINS	\$283.11
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AMBULANCE SERVICE	\$351,600.08
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	\$400,583.98
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TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCES	\$833,186.19
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RESERVE FOR APPROPRIATION

ASSETS

CASH	\$332,355.41
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TOTAL ASSETS	\$332,355.41
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LIABILITIES

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	\$1,721.30
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FUND BALANCES

SALE OF CEMETERY LOTS	\$82,320.00
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WATERWAYS IMPROVEMENTS	\$69,558.61
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FERRY FEES	\$178,755.50
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TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCES	\$332,355.41
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**TOWN OF OAK BLUFFS
BALANCE SHEET FISCAL 2007**

FEDERAL GRANTS

ASSETS

CASH	\$116,817.16
DUE FROM COMM OF MASS	\$38,037.02

TOTAL ASSETS	\$154,854.18
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LIABILITIES

ACCRUED PAYROLL	\$13,584.65
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FUND BALANCES

WHIP GRANT 2006	\$(7,900.00)
LOCAL PREPAREDNESS	\$(12,991.42)
SMALL CITIES	\$160,252.66
BIOTERROR	\$1,908.29

TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCES	\$154,854.18
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STATE GRANTS

ASSETS

CASH	\$666,209.89
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TOTAL ASSETS	\$666,209.89
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LIABILITIES

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	\$16,293.98
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FUND BALANCES

SPED PLACEMENT	\$143,136.28
BIKE PATH	\$27,086.10
LIBRARY INCENTIVE	\$619.37
LIB MUNIC EQUALITY	\$409.55
STATE CENSUS	\$285.26
ELDERLY GRANT	\$1,974.86
DRUG TASK FORCE	\$(3,708.12)
BULKHEAD ENGINEERING	\$(14,348.72)
STATE BEACH	\$4,096.26
N/R OFFSET	\$4,676.55
PUMPOUT BOAT	\$1,315.22
EOCD SEPTIC REPAIR	\$108,807.58
COMMUNITY POLICING	\$8,652.30
CZM POLLUTION	\$0.72
ROPES COURSE	\$514.92
GHSB POLICE	\$ -
SCHOOL CHOICE	\$366,397.78

TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCES	\$649,915.91
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TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCES	\$666,209.89
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**TOWN OF OAK BLUFFS
BALANCE SHEET FISCAL 2007**

COMMUNITY PRESERVATION FUND

ASSETS

CASH	\$1,063,918.20
CPA RECEIVABLE	\$14,675.94

TOTAL ASSETS	\$1,078,594.14
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LIABILITIES

DEFERRED REVENUE	\$14,767.99
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FUND BALANCES

UNDESIGNATED	\$549,278.61
RESD FOR CONTINUED APPTN	\$480,789.94
RESD FOR OPEN SPACE	\$ -
RESD FOR HISTORIC RESOURCES	\$ -
RESD FOR COMMUNITY HOUSING	\$33,757.60

\$1,063,826.15

TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCES	\$1,078,594.14
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SPECIAL REVENUE

ASSETS

CASH	\$45,116.30
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TOTAL ASSETS	\$45,116.30
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LIABILITIES

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	\$3,549.22
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FUND BALANCES

LAGOON POND WATER TESTING	\$245.00
HISTORICAL COMM DONATIONS	\$487.50
FIRE DEPT MEMORIAL DONATIONS	\$980.00
COA DONATIONS	\$1,582.64
COA OUTREACH DONATIONS	\$834.56
PLANNING BOARD DONATIONS	\$20,000.00
EMER MANAGEMENT BOAT DONATIONS	\$3,428.17
PARK/ RECREATION DONATIONS	\$242.00
SHELLFISH DREDGING	\$500.00
TOWN CLOCK FUND	\$2,879.55
LIBRARY DONATIONS	\$8,798.38
SCHOOL BLUE CROSS	\$0.44
PUBLIC RESTROOMS	\$1,109.84
CONSERVATION FUND	\$479.00

LIABILITIES	\$41,567.08
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TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCES	\$45,116.30
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**TOWN OF OAK BLUFFS
BALANCE SHEET FISCAL 2007**

BOND FUNDS- CAPITAL PROJECTS

ASSETS	
CASH	\$201,393.66
TOTAL ASSETS	<hr/> \$201,393.66
FUND BALANCES	
PRIMARY SCHOOL RENOVATION	\$1,028.00
PRIMARY CLARIFIER	\$20,000.00
DEWATERING/ SEPTAGE	\$36,000.00
FIRE TRUCK/ BUILDING ADDITION	\$524.71
PUBLIC WHARF PHASE III	\$99,282.74
WASTEWATER PROJECT	\$16,263.61
LIBRARY CAMPAIGN	\$28,294.60
TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCES	<hr/> \$201,393.66

**CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND
LIBRARY**

ASSETS	
CASH	\$269,083.09
TOTAL ASSETS	<hr/> \$269,083.09
LIABILITIES	
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	\$2,000.00
FUND BALANCES	
UNRESERVED FUND	\$267,083.09
TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCES	<hr/> \$269,083.09

WASTEWATER ENTERPRISE FUND

ASSETS	
CASH	\$580,355.18
USER FEES RECEIVABLE	\$211,251.49
SPECIAL ASSESSMENT RECEIVABLE	\$48,685.07
TOTAL ASSETS	<hr/> \$840,291.74
LIABILITIES	
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	\$7,297.51
DEFERRED REVENUE USER FEES	\$211,251.49
DEFERRED REVENUE SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS	\$48,685.07

**TOWN OF OAK BLUFFS
BALANCE SHEET FISCAL 2007**

FUND BALANCES

UNRESERVED FUND	\$561,557.67
RESD FOR CONT APPTNS	\$11,500.00

TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCES	\$840,291.74
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EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS

ASSETS

CASH	\$1,415,257.86
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TOTAL ASSETS	\$1,415,257.86
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LIABILITIES

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	\$6,923.06
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FUND BALANCES

CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE	\$2,542.41
RESIDENT HOMESITE	\$211,487.76
STABILIZATION FUND	\$1,134,424.97
MUNICIPAL BUILDING	\$9,126.08
WORKERS COMP FUND	\$(6,839.57)
A K BARBEY POOR	\$44,716.69
R CLARKE POOR	\$6,445.08
I NORTON POOR	\$6,431.38

\$1,408,334.80

TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCES	\$1,415,257.86
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NONEXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS

ASSETS

CASH	\$15,933.84
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TOTAL ASSETS	\$15,933.84
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FUND BALANCES

CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE	\$8,933.84
A K BARBEY POOR	\$5,000.00
R CLARKE NORTON POOR	\$1,000.00
I NORTON POOR	\$1,000.00

TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCES	\$15,933.84
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AGENCY FUND

ASSETS

CASH	\$(12,615.30)
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TOTAL ASSETS	\$(12,615.30)
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**TOWN OF OAK BLUFFS
BALANCE SHEET FISCAL 2007**

LIABILITIES

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	\$64.00
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FUND BALANCES

POLICE EXTRA DETAILS	\$(14,002.00)
SCHOOL CUSTODIAL	\$196.30
FISH & GAME	\$(223.60)
FIREARMS PERMITS	\$1,350.00
HIGH SCHOOL AGENCY GRANTS	\$ -

TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCES	\$(12,615.30)
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LONG TERM DEBT FUND

ASSETS

AMOUNTS PROVIDED FOR BOND PAYMENTS	\$22,745,035.44
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TOTAL ASSETS	\$22,745,035.44
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LIABILITIES

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BOND	\$4,825,000.00
WASTEWATER MWPAT	\$353,000.00
WASTEWATER OLD BOND	\$12,857,935.44
LANDFILL	\$1,734,100.00
LIBRARY BOND	\$2,975,000.00

TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCES	\$22,745,035.44
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**TOWN OF OK BLUFFS
REVENUE REPORT FISCAL 2007**

	ACTUAL REVENUE
01 GENERAL FUND	

01122 BOARD OF SELECTMEN	

PHOTOCOPY FEE	\$ 97.00
RENTAL TO STEAMSHIP AUTH.	\$ 7,494.50
ALCOHOL LICENSES	\$ 97,195.00
MISCELLANEOUS LICENSES	\$ 13,870.00
FAMILY SHELLFISH PERMITS	\$ 3,263.75
YARD SALE PERMITS	\$ 440.00
COMM. SHELLFISH PERMIT	\$ 1,400.00
TAXICAB PERMITS	\$ 7,345.00
OTHER BUSINESS PERMITS	\$ 2,850.00
MOPED LICENSE FEES	\$ 7,210.00
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE	\$ 1,462.06
REFUNDS	\$ 548.48
COUNTY PARKING REVENUE	<u>\$ 38,155.89</u>
TOTAL BOARD OF SELECTMEN	\$ 181,331.68
01141 ASSESSORS	

PHOTOCOPY FEE	\$ 193.10
ASSESSORS DATA LISTS	<u>\$ 2,031.30</u>
TOTAL ASSESSORS	\$ 2,224.40
01145 TOWN TREASURER	

TAXES DEFERRED	\$ 18,339.18
TAX LIENS REDEEMED	\$ 137,499.83
WATER LIENS	\$ 1,125.25
PENALTY/INT.-TAX LIENS	\$ 78,319.79
NSF FEES	\$ 45.00
PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TAXES	\$ 5,475.30
LEGAL FEES	\$ 2,700.00
LAND COURT FEES	\$ 1,516.50
EARNINGS ON MONEY MARKET	\$ 178,349.25
MISCELLANEOUS RECEIPTS	<u>\$ 1,705.19</u>
TOTAL TOWN TREASURER	\$ 425,075.29
01146 TAX COLLECTOR	

PERSONAL PROPERTY-2000	\$ 160.69

PERSONAL PROPERTY-2001	\$ 506.01
PERSONAL PROPERTY-2002	\$ 322.20
PERSONAL PROPERTY-2003	\$ 753.75
PERSONAL PROPERTY-2004	\$ 1,046.68
PERSONAL PROPERTY-2005	\$ 3,888.30
PERSONAL PROPERTY-2006	\$ 13,106.08
PERSONAL PROPERTY-2007	\$ 212,744.18
REAL ESTATE-2004	\$ 2,877.98
REAL ESTATE-2005	\$ 97,529.38
REAL ESTATE-2006	\$ 760,036.23
REAL ESTATE-2007	\$14,693,653.74
MUNICIPAL LIEN CERT	\$ 9,350.00
MOTOR VEH EXCISE-2000	\$ 195.21
MOTOR VEH EXCISE-2001	\$ 867.64
MOTOR VEH EXCISE-2002	\$ 311.35
MOTOR VEH EXCISE-2003	\$ 300.12
MOTOR VEH EXCISE-2004	\$ 2,229.21
MOTOR VEH EXCISE-2005	\$ 11,339.72
MOTOR VEH EXCISE-2006	\$ 118,621.81
MOTOR VEH EXCISE-2007	\$ 477,460.30
MOTOR VEH EXCISE-PRIOR YEARS	\$ (25.85)
BOAT EXCISE-2005	\$ 19.84
BOAT EXCISE-2006	\$ 351.80
BOAT EXCISE-2007	\$ 4,210.88
PENALTY/INT-PROPERTY TAX	\$ 141,292.53
PENALTY/INT-EXCISE TAXES	\$ 15,569.29
RMV-NON RENEWAL SURCHARGE	\$ 8,469.38
MISCELLANEOUS RECEIPTS	<u>\$ 113.40</u>
TOTAL TAX COLLECTOR	\$16,577,301.85

01155 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE	\$ -
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TOTAL INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

01161 TOWN CLERK

VOTING/ STREET LISTS	\$ 10.00
LICENSE/PERMITS	\$ 995.00
TOWN CLERK MISC. RECEIPTS	\$ 9,587.66
DOG LICENSES	\$ 3,413.00
CIVIL MV INFRACTIONS	<u>\$ 3,809.60</u>

TOTAL TOWN CLERK	\$ 17,815.26
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01171 CONSERVATION COMMISSION

PHOTOCOPY FEE	\$ 7.40
RENTAL SAILING CAMP	<u>\$ 10,900.00</u>

TOTAL CONSERVATION COMMISSION	\$ 10,907.40
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01175 PLANNING BOARD

PHOTOCOPY FEES	\$ -
FILING FEES	<u>\$ 1,175.00</u>
TOTAL PLANNING BOARD	\$ 1,175.00

01176 BOARD OF APPEALS

FILING FEES	<u>\$ -</u>
TOTAL BOARD OF APPEALS	\$ -

01199 UNCLASSIFIED (SELECTMEN)

SALE OF TOWN PROPERTY	<u>\$ 1,005.00</u>
TOTAL UNCLASSIFIED (SELECTMEN)	\$ 1,005.00

01210 POLICE DEPARTMENT

POLICE DETAIL SERVICE CHG	\$ 8,945.30
LICENSE TO CARRY FIREARMS	\$ 1,425.00
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE	\$ 1,694.86
COPIES OF POLICE REPORTS	<u>\$ 544.75</u>
TOTAL POLICE DEPARTMENT	\$ 12,609.91

01210 FIRE DEPARTMENT

MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE	<u>\$ 26.99</u>
TOTAL FIRE DEPARTMENT	\$ 26.99

01241 BUILDING INSPECTOR

PHOTOCOPY FEES	\$ 598.92
SMOKE INSPECTION FEES	\$ 6,845.00
OIL BURNER INSPECTION FEES	\$ 720.00
GAS INSPECTION FEES	\$ 10,385.00
WIRING INSPECTION FEE	\$ 25,135.00
PLUMBING INSPECTION FEE	\$ 14,780.00
TANK INSPECTION FEE	\$ 8,100.00
FILING FEES	\$ 14,332.00
PLUMBING PERMITS	\$ 10,590.00
BUILDING PERMITS	\$ 155,261.94
WIRING PERMITS	\$ 17,215.00
SMOKE DETECTOR PERMITS	\$ 9,215.00
TANK PERMITS	\$ 12,535.00
OIL BURNER PERMITS	\$ 1,085.00
SIGN PERMITS	\$ 500.00

GAS PERMITS	\$ 11,310.00
BUILDING INSP. MISC.	\$ 2,546.92
HOME BUSINESS REG FEES	<u>\$ 3,275.00</u>
TOTAL BUILDING INSPECTOR	\$ 304,429.78

01296 MARINA MANAGER

SLIP FEES	\$ 845,139.40
MOORING FEES	\$ 200.00
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE	<u>\$ 71.38</u>
TOTAL MARINA MANAGER	\$ 845,410.78

01300 SCHOOL

MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE	\$ 764.49
MEDICARE REIMBURSEMENTS	<u>\$ 3,989.55</u>
TOTAL SCHOOL	\$ 4,754.04

01421 HIGHWAY-ADMINISTRATION

PHOTOCOPY FEE	\$ -
HOUSEHOLD TRASH STICKERS	\$ 194,822.00
MISC. GAS REVENUE	\$ 10,474.87
MISC REV TOKENS	<u>\$ 3,290.00</u>
TOTAL HIGHWAY-ADMINISTRATION	\$ 208,586.87

01519 BOARD OF HEALTH

SEPTIC HAULERS' LICENSE	\$ 700.00
PHOTOCOPY FEE	\$ 34.00
REFUSE HAULERS LICENSE	\$ 1,100.00
SEPTIC INSTALLERS PERMIT	\$ 3,250.00
DESIGN APPLICATION	\$ 10,900.00
FOOD ESTABLISH PERMIT	\$ 19,550.00
PUMPOUT SEPTIC PERMITS	\$ 4,800.00
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE	<u>\$ 530.60</u>
TOTAL BOARD OF HEALTH	\$ 40,864.60

01610 LIBRARY

PHOTOCOPY FEE	\$ 3,383.00
LIBRARY FINES & FEES	<u>\$ 9,113.45</u>
TOTAL LIBRARY	\$ 12,496.45

01800 STATE AID

LOSS OF TAXES-STATE LAND	\$ 85,839.00
VETERANS ABATEMENTS	\$ -
ELDERLY EXEMPTIONS	\$ 20,582.00
CHARTER SCHOOL	\$ 166,236.00
CONST. OF SCHOOL PROJECTS	\$ 567,924.00
VETERAN'S BENEFITS	\$ 10,710.00
CHAPTER 70-SCHOOL AID	\$ 567,385.00
LOTTERY BEANO & CHARITY	\$ 89,078.00
STATE AID-HOTEL/ROOM TAX	\$ 208,379.00
CAREER INCENTIVE	\$ 62,840.50
CIVIL MV INFRACTIONS	\$ 54,271.50

TOTAL STATE AID **\$ 1,833,245.00**

01900 INTERFUND OPERATING TRANS

TRANSFER FROM SPEC. REV.	\$ 200,000.00
TRANSFER FROM ENTERPRISE FUND	\$ 441,504.00
TRANSFER FROM TRUST FUNDS	\$ 80,000.00

TOTAL INTERFUND OPERATING TRANS **\$ 721,504.00**

TOTAL GENERAL FUND REVENUES **\$21,200,764.30**

60 WASTEWATER ENTERPRISE FUND**60198 WASTEWATER ENTERPRISE FUND**

PENALTY/INTEREST SPEC ASSESS	\$ 109,587.62
PENALTY/INTEREST W W USAGE	\$ 8,974.78
WASTEWATER USER FEES 2005	\$ 400.00
WASTEWATER USER FEES 2006	\$ 89,001.22
WASTEWATER USER FEES 2007	\$ 399,385.53
WASTEWATER HOOK UP FEES	\$ 1,950.00
SPECIAL ASSESSMENT REV	\$ 382,152.50
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE	\$ 55.60

TOTAL WASTEWATER ENTERPRISE FUND REVENUE **\$ 991,507.25**

GRAND TOTAL ALL REVENUES **\$22,192,271.55**

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ACCOUNTS FOR 01 GENERAL FUND	ORIGINAL BUDGET	REVISED BUDGET	ACTUAL EXPENSES	AVAILABLE UNEXPENDED	PCT USED
01114 TOWN MODERATOR -----					
ELECTED OFFICIALS	325	325.00	325.00	0	100 %
TOTAL TOWN MODERATOR	325	325.00	325.00	0	100 %
01122 BOARD OF SELECTMEN -----					
ELECTED OFFICIALS	16500	16500.00	16500.00	0	100 %
ADMINISTRATIVE SALARIES	85218	91526.00	86285.92	5240.08	94.3 %
TOWN ADMINISTRATOR SALARY	87360	90591.00	90590.77	0.23	100 %
LONGEVITY PAY	1800	1500.00	1500.00	0	100 %
PROFESSIONAL & TECHNICAL	99000	94468.40	94468.40	0	100 %
OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	10000	15527.44	15527.44	0	100 %
CONTRACT SETTLEMENTS	0	76876.80	76876.80	0	100 %
EAST CHOP ENGINEERING	0	40000.00	0	40000.00	100 %
STM 1/99-ART#2-S.WOODS ST	0	11339.00	0	11339.00	0 %
LAND PURCHASE JAN 18 2005	0	15000.00	0	15000.00	0 %
COMPENSATION STUDY	0	20000.00	0	20000.00	0 %
TOTAL BOARD OF SELECTMEN	299878	473328.64	381749.33	91579.31	80.7 %
01131 FINANCE COMMITTEE -----					
CLERICAL SALARY	3600	0	0	0	0 %
CONTRACT SERVICES	0	4900.00	4790.00	110.00	97.8 %
OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	1000	1000.00	0	1000.00	0 %
MEMBERSHIPS	150	150.00	145.00	5.00	96.7 %
TOTAL FINANCE COMMITTEE	4750	6050.00	4935.000	1115.00	81.6 %
01132 FINANCE COMM.-RESERVE FD. -----					
RESERVE FUND	45000	38990.00	0	38990.00	0 %
TOTAL FINANCE COMM.-RESERVE FD.	45000	38990.00	0	38990.00	0 %
01135 TOWN ACCOUNTANT -----					
ADMINISTRATIVE SALARIES	74320	74320.00	74229.15	90.85	99.9 %
PROFESSIONAL & TECHNICAL	20000	20485.18	20485.18	0	100 %
OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	2500	2500.00	2456.70	43.30	98.3 %
TOTAL TOWN ACCOUNTANT	96820	97305.18	97171.03	134.15	99.9 %

ACCOUNTS FOR 01 GENERAL FUND	ORIGINAL BUDGET	REVISED BUDGET	ACTUAL EXPENSES	AVAILABLE UNEXPENDED	PCT USED
01141 ASSESSORS					
APPOINTED OFFICIALS	4896	4896.00	4624.00	272.00	94.4 %
ADMINISTRATIVE SALARIES	112821	112821.00	106756.14	6064.86	94.6 %
LONGEVITY PAY	900	900.00	800.00	100.00	88.9 %
TRAINING	5000	5000.00	3186.33	1813.67	63.7 %
PROFESSIONAL & TECHNICAL	5000	5000.00	4216.96	783.04	84.3 %
CARTOGRAPHIC SERVICES	3500	3500.00	3375.00	125.00	96.4 %
OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	4000	4000.00	3405.30	594.70	85.1 %
TOTAL ASSESSORS	136117	136117.00	126363.730	9753.27	92.8 %
01144 TREASURER(FIXED P/R COST)					
FICA (MEDICARE)	120000	122327.58	122327.58	0	100 %
PENSION FUND	565820	565820.00	565820.00	0	100 %
UNEMPLOYMENT COMP.	37200	37090.07	36945.26	144.81	99.6 %
MED. INS.-EMPLOYER CONT.	1797689	1725118.36	1723110.81	2007.55	99.9 %
COMPUTER P/R SERV. CON.	8500	8852.99	8852.99	0	100 %
TOTAL TREASURER(FIXED P/R COST)	2529209	2459209.00	2457056.640	2152.36	99.9 %
01145 TOWN TREASURER					
ADMINISTRATIVE SALARIES	64928	64928.00	64928	0	100 %
LONGEVITY PAY	500	500.00	300.00	200	60 %
TAX TITLE EXPENSES	27600	23935.62	22522.22	1413.40	94.1 %
PROFESSIONAL & TECHNICAL	0	2000.00	2000.00	0	100 %
OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	500	1433.36	1433.36	0	100 %
TRAINING & SEMINARS	2000	1250.00	1165.62	84.38	93.2 %
ADMIN FEES - MWPAT	19157	19157.00	18977.55	179.45	99.1 %
TOTAL TOWN TREASURER	114685	113203.98	111326.750	1877.23	98.3 %
01146 TAX COLLECTOR					
ELECTED OFFICIALS	49371	49371.00	49300.85	70.15	99.9 %
ADMINISTRATIVE SALARIES	55570	55570.00	50101.44	5468.56	90.2 %
TRAINING EXPENSES	3000	3000.00	2738.05	261.95	91.3 %
OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	15000	15000.00	13349.26	1650.74	89 %
TOTAL TAX COLLECTOR	122941	122941.00	115489.600	7451.40	93.9 %
01155 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY					
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DIRECTOR	52275	53269.00	53268.65	0.35	100 %
LONGEVITY PAY	0	0	0	0	0 %
COMPUTER TRAINING	12000	12000.00	3463.14	8536.86	28.9 %

ACCOUNTS FOR 01 GENERAL FUND	ORIGINAL BUDGET	REVISED BUDGET	ACTUAL EXPENSES	AVAILABLE UNEXPENDED	PCT USED
TELEPHONE EXPENSE	46000	66778.57	66778.57	0	100 %
COMPUTER SUPPLIES/EXPENSE	6000	6000.00	5015.70	984.30	83.6 %
MAINTENANCE AGREEMENTS	64000	41821.71	41821.71	0	100 %
HARDWARE UPGRADE	10000	6399.72	2785.06	3614.66	43.5 %
OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	7500	7500.00	6048.51	1451.49	80.6 %
PHONE SYSTEM COA	0	6488.00	4724.57	1763.43	72.8 %
TOTAL INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	197775	200257	183905.910	16351.09	91.8 %
01161 TOWN CLERK					

ELECTED OFFICIALS	58372	58372.08	58372.08	0	100 %
ADMINISTRATIVE SALARIES	40164	40163.92	40027.12	136.80	99.7 %
LONGEVITY PAY	1000	1000.00	1000.00	0	100 %
OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	2830	2830.00	2104.82	725.18	74.4 %
ENCUMBRANCES	0	48.03	48.03	0	100 %
TOTAL TOWN CLERK	102366	102414.03	101552.050	861.98	99.2 %
01163 BOARD OF REGISTRARS					

APPOINTED OFFICIALS	2000	2000.00	2000.00	0	100 %
CONSTABLES	1000	1000.00	1000.00	0	100 %
ADMINISTRATIVE SALARIES	13000	13000.00	12314.22	685.78	94.7 %
TRAINING	1000	1000.00	0	1000.00	0 %
OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	7000	7000.00	5607.17	1392.83	80.1 %
TOTAL BOARD OF REGISTRARS	24000	24000.00	20921.39	3078.61	87.2 %
01171 CONSERVATION COMMISSION					

CONSERVATION AGENT SALARY	45521	45521.00	45377.70	143.30	99.7 %
CARETAKER'S SALARY	12172	12172.00	12107.04	64.96	99.5 %
PROFESSIONAL & TECHNICAL	1500	1407.88	1300.10	107.78	92.3 %
OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	970	770.00	757.91	12.09	98.4 %
MAINTENANCE EXPENSES	5550	5842.12	5842.12	0	100 %
TRAVEL EXPENSES	200	200.00	146.94	53.06	73.5 %
TRAINING & SEMINARS	500	500.00	442.97	57.03	88.6 %
MEMBERSHIPS	165	165.00	117.00	48.00	70.9 %
ENCUMBRANCES	0	377.27	377.27	0	100 %
E. CHOP ART#7 STM 6/01	0	3000.00	0	3000.00	0 %
SAILING CAMP STM	0	7843.00	7843.00	0	100 %
TOTAL CONSERVATION COMMISSION	66578	77798.27	74312.050	3486.22	95.5 %
01175 PLANNING BOARD					

CLERICAL SALARY	3818	3818.00	1970.34	1847.66	51.6 %

ACCOUNTS FOR 01 GENERAL FUND	ORIGINAL BUDGET	REVISED BUDGET	ACTUAL EXPENSES	AVAILABLE UNEXPENDED	PCT USED
CONSULTING ENGINEERING	2600	2600.00	0	2600.00	0 %
OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	725	725.00	0	725.00	0 %
TOTAL PLANNING BOARD	7143	7143.00	1970.340	5172.66	27.6 %

01199 UNCLASSIFIED (SELECTMEN)

INSURANCE EXPENSE	386000	388245.58	388245.58	0	100 %
STREET LIGHTING EXPENSE	140000	75000.00	74925.98	74.02	99.9 %
TOWN REPORT	8000	8777.00	8777.00	0	100 %
SELF INSURANCE TRUST FND.	15000	15000.00	15000.00	0	100 %
TOWN BUILDING UTILITIES	120000	136350.46	136350.46	0	100 %
COPY MACHINE SUPPLIES	5000	2802.00	2801.78	0.22	100 %
LEASE LAND FOR DRAINAGE	1250	1250.00	1250.00	0	100 %
ENGINEERING/ARCHITECTURAL	17500	16016.00	4948.00	11068.00	30.9 %
ANNUAL AUDIT	32000	28000.00	28000.00	0	100 %
ADVERTISING	10000	2939.54	2937.52	2.02	99.9 %
POSTAGE	30000	16285.37	16248.27	37.10	99.8 %
OFFICE SUPPLIES	37500	26391.95	26391.65	0.30	100 %
MV COMMISSION ASSESSMENT	115311	115311.00	115311.00	0	100 %
OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	45000	14396.47	14396.47	0	100 %
REGIONAL HOUSING ASSESSMENT	0	39829.00	39829.00	0	100 %
ENCUMBRANCES	0	21430.41	20622.73	807.68	96.2 %
ART#7 6/00 EASEMENT	0	1000.00	0	1000.00	0 %
DEP ESCROW ARTICLE	0	100000.00	0	100000.00	0 %
TOTAL UNCLASSIFIED (SELECTMEN)	962561	1009024.78	896035.440	112989.34	88.8 %

01210 POLICE DEPARTMENT

ADMINISTRATIVE SALARIES	32448	32400.00	32400.00	0	100 %
LONGEVITY PAY	2500	2800.00	2800.00	0	100 %
POLICE CHIEF'S SALARY	88500	88500.10	88500.10	0	100 %
LIEUTENANT SALARY	77473	69972.90	69972.20	0.70	100 %
PATROLMEN SALARIES	517750	515527.16	515527.16	0	100 %
SUMMER TEMP. & SPEC POL.	0	161443.35	161443.35	0	100 %
PATROL SERGEANT	138468	132744.00	132744.00	0	100 %
EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT	44346	44280.00	44280.00	0	100 %
QUINN BILL ENCUMBRANCE	147491	145677.00	145677.00	0	100 %
ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER SALARY	32178	30928.50	30928.50	0	100 %
ASST ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER	0	3620.00	3620.00	0	100 %
ANIMAL CONTROL OTHER CHARGES	3000	3000.00	3000.00	0	100 %
DETECTIVE SALARY	61871	61861.07	61829.81	31.26	99.9 %
ADDITIONAL SALARY EXPENSE	155628	207336.75	207336.75	0	100 %
DELTA DENTAL	3700	3700.00	3526.88	173.12	95.3 %
LEGAL PROTECTION	2000	2000.00	2000.00	0	100 %
TRAFFIC VIOLATION	1000	1000.00	1000.00	0	100 %
UNIFORMS & EQUIPMENT	48600	48600.00	48550.00	50.00	99.9 %
TRAINING & SEMINARS	2000	15000.00	14925.94	74.06	99.5 %
DRUG TASK FORCE MATCH ART#7	0	7000.00	7000.00	0	100 %
TOTAL POLICE DEPARTMENT	1358953	1577390.83	1577061.690	329.14	100 %

ACCOUNTS FOR 01 GENERAL FUND	ORIGINAL BUDGET	REVISED BUDGET	ACTUAL EXPENSES	AVAILABLE UNEXPENDED	PCT USED
01220 FIRE DEPARTMENT					

SALARIES	98600	102089.23	102089.23	0	100 %
NON RELATED INCIDENTS	5000	1510.77	1510.77	0	100 %
BUILDING REPAIRS	4000	4000.00	3862.33	137.67	96.6 %
FIRE ALARM SYSTEM	1000	1000.00	740.00	260.00	74 %
OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	43363	47373.00	44806.82	2566.18	94.6 %
TOTAL FIRE DEPARTMENT	151963	155973.00	153009.150	2963.85	98.1 %
01231 AMBULANCE SERVICE					

SALARIES	163713	162863.00	159997.85	2865.15	98.2 %
LONGEVITY PAY	1000	1500.00	1500.00	0	0 %
SHIFT PAY	78945	89295.00	89295.00	0	100 %
TRAINING & TUITION	10000	10000.00	9931.42	68.58	99.3 %
OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	25500	25500.00	25264.36	235.64	99.1 %
ENCUMBRANCES	0	25000.00	17357.12	7642.88	69.4 %
ART. #16 4/11 RESCUE TRUCK	0	85394.00	39825.16	45568.84	46.6 %
TOTAL AMBULANCE SERVICE	279158	399552	343170.910	56381.09	85.9 %
01241 BUILDING INSPECTOR					

ADMINISTRATIVE SALARIES	157438	147205.00	145931.46	1273.54	99.1 %
SEPARATE INSPECTORS	70000	70000.00	68069.90	1930.10	97.2 %
PROFESSIONAL & TECHNICAL	5000	5000.00	125.00	4875.00	2.5 %
OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	1120	1120.00	94.57	1025.43	8.4 %
MEMBERSHIPS	200	200.00	0	200.00	0 %
INSTRUCTIONAL & CONF.	2000	2000.00	1624.43	375.57	81.2 %
TOTAL BUILDING INSPECTOR	235758	225525	215845.360	9679.64	95.7 %
01249 SHELLFISH					

CONSTABLE SALARIES	97157	97157.00	94055.36	3101.64	96.8 %
LONGEVITY PAY	500	500.00	500.00	0	100 %
HOLIDAY OVERTIME PAY	3960	3960.00	3458.25	501.75	87.3 %
TWN SH-MARINE BIOLOGIST	27000	27000.00	27000.00	0	100 %
LITTLE BRIDGE DREDGING	0	10000.00	0	10000.00	0 %
FRGHT, ADV, PSTG & RINGS	250	0	0	0	0 %
SUPPLIES	2500	3236.23	3236.23	0	100 %
TRAVEL CONF. & DUES	2500	1893.77	1841.42	52.35	97.2 %
EQUIPMENT	1200	1320.00	1319.38	0.62	100 %
ESTUARIES PROJ STM APR04 ART#	0	29500.00	0	29500.00	0 %
ESTUARIES	0	40000.00	0	40000.00	0 %
TOTAL SHELLFISH	135067	214567.00	131410.640	83156.36	61.2 %

ACCOUNTS FOR 01 GENERAL FUND	ORIGINAL BUDGET	REVISED BUDGET	ACTUAL EXPENSES	AVAILABLE UNEXPENDED	PCT USED
01291 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT					
HURRICANE SUPPLIES	0	10000.00	9734.99	265.01	97.3 %
BOAT EXPENSE	0	6500.00	6453.22	46.78	99.3 %
OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	9500	3000.00	2986.18	13.82	99.5 %
RESCUE BOAT DOCK STM JUNE 200	0	741.00	741.00	0	100 %
EMERGENCY GENERATOR	0	20000.00	0	20000.00	0 %
COMMUNITY TEAM	0	5000.00	4076.05	923.95	81.5 %
TOTAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	9500	45241.00	23991.440	21249.56	53 %
01296 MARINA MANAGER					
SALARIES	195405	194105.00	185612.81	8492.19	95.6 %
LONGEVITY	0	1300.00	1300.00	0	100 %
REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	21000	21000.00	19554.90	1445.10	93.1 %
VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	15000	15000.00	14732.09	267.91	98.2 %
OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	0	6234.02	6234.02	0	100 %
OB HARBOR SECURITY UPGRADE	0	25000.00	25000.00	0	100 %
HARBORMASTERS BOAT JAN 18 200	0	426.37	99.94	326.43	23.4 %
TOTAL MARINA MANAGER	231405	263065.39	252533.760	10531.63	96 %
01300 SCHOOL					
FIXED EXPENSES	94447	94447.00	147526.69	-53079.69	156.2 %
ADMINISTRATION	206633	206633.00	142128.82	64504.18	68.8 %
INSTRUCTIONAL	4281334	4281334.00	4343127.95	-61793.95	101.4 %
SERVICE	232583	232583.00	213951.39	18631.61	92 %
OPERATION & MAINTENANCE	454437	454437.00	419639.89	34797.11	92.3 %
PRIOR YEAR BILLS	0	609.00	609	0	100 %
SPED ART FY2005	0	53858.51	48153.70	5704.81	86.4 %
OB SCHOOL REPAIRS JAN 18 2005	0	36409.75	24375	12034.75	66.9 %
TOTAL SCHOOL	5269434	5360311.26	5339512.440	20798.82	99.6 %
01301 MARTHA'S VINEYARD REG HS					
MVRHS DISTRICT ASSESS.	2700940	2700940.00	2613582.53	87357.47	96.8 %
MVRHS CAPITAL OUTLAY	158105	158105.00	158105.00	0.00	100 %
TOTAL MARTHA'S VINEYARD REG HS	2859045	2859045.00	2771687.530	87357.47	96.9 %
01421 HIGHWAY-ADMINISTRATION					
ART#9 STM 12/03 SAILING CAMP	0	1368.28	0	1368.28	0 %
ADMINISTRATIVE SALARIES	164270	161270.00	161207.21	62.79	100 %
LONGEVITY PAY	4200	4200.00	4050.00	150.00	96.4 %

ACCOUNTS FOR 01 GENERAL FUND	ORIGINAL BUDGET	REVISED BUDGET	ACTUAL EXPENSES	AVAILABLE UNEXPENDED	PCT USED
OTHER WAGES	103792	99506.46	99506.46	0	100 %
SNOW & ICE OVERTIME	35425	33320.00	32815.85	504.15	98.5 %
LABORER/MECHANIC SALARIES	358908	324288.00	322697.45	1590.55	99.5 %
PUBLIC BLDG MAINT	35000	108596.88	108596.88	0.00	100 %
REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	57000	57000.00	52714.71	4285.29	92.5 %
TIPPING FEES	228102	176855.83	176855.83	0	100 %
RECYCLING MATERIAL DISP.	21000	23578.01	23578.01	0	100 %
SNOW REMOVAL	8000	8000.00	1069.59	6930.41	13.4 %
COLLECTION OF OFFAL	4500	1580.16	1336.18	243.98	84.6 %
MAINT FARM POND CULVERT	1000	1000.00	1000.00	0	100 %
SWEEPER LEASE	18740	0	0	0	0 %
RUBBISH TRUCK LEASE	20000	20000.00	20000.00	0	100 %
OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	156525	244333.22	244333.22	0	100 %
WASTEWATER FEES	22000	16965.18	16660.00	305.18	98.2 %
RESURFACING CONCRETE RDS.	250000	179322.96	179322.96	0.00	100 %
ENCUMBRANCES	0	29908.49	28779.77	1128.72	96.2 %
HARBOR BATHHOUSE REPAIRS	0	8077.16	8077.16	0	100 %
SIDEWALK REPAIRS	0	29161.25	29161.25	0	100 %
TIP LAKE AVE	0	30000.00	15954.19	14045.81	53.2 %
2077 DUMP TRUCK	0	55000.00	54641.50	358.50	99.3 %
TEMPORARY STATION	0	25000.00	25000.00	0	100 %
TOTAL HIGHWAY-ADMINISTRATION	1488462	1638331.88	1607358.220	30973.66	98.1 %
01491 CEMETERY					

COMMISSIONERS' SALARIES	550	550.00	550.00	0	100 %
TOTAL CEMETERY	550	550.00	550.00	0	100 %
01519 BOARD OF HEALTH					

BOARD OF HEALTH SALARIES	8000	8000.00	7874.92	125.08	98.4 %
CLERICAL SALARY	32788	32788.00	32261.32	526.68	98.4 %
LONGEVITY PAY	300	300.00	300.00	0	100 %
SEASONAL EMPLOYMENT	5538	4634.27	814.65	3819.62	17.6 %
HEALTH AGENTS SALARY	49972	50875.73	50875.73	0	100 %
HAZARDOUS WASTE DISPOSAL	18000	18000.00	11488.83	6511.17	63.8 %
PUB. HEALTH NURSING SERV.	22015	22015.00	20255.33	1759.67	92 %
ADVERTISING/POSTAGE	540	540.00	253.42	286.58	46.9 %
OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	7220	7220.00	2146.70	5073.30	29.7 %
CLOTHING ALLOWANCE	160	160.00	0	160.00	0 %
DEP COMPLIANCE FEES	800	800.00	800.00	0	100 %
SCHOOL SEMINARS & TRAIN.	300	300.00	288.00	12.00	96 %
DUES AND MEMBERSHIP	105	105.00	50.00	55.00	47.6 %
STM LANDFILL TESTING	0	40151.10	32369.07	7782.03	80.6 %
DEP MONITORING	0	40000.00	0	40000.00	0 %
TOTAL BOARD OF HEALTH	145738	225889.10	159777.970	66111.13	70.7 %

ACCOUNTS FOR 01 GENERAL FUND	ORIGINAL BUDGET	REVISED BUDGET	ACTUAL EXPENSES	AVAILABLE UNEXPENDED	PCT USED
01541 COUNCIL ON AGING					
SALARIES	108910	112110.00	112067.91	42.09	100 %
LONGEVITY PAY	300	500.00	500.00	0	100 %
PILOT PROGRAM	4344	4344.00	3202.00	1142.00	73.7 %
OLDER AMER. ACTS (ICOA)	9992	9992.33	9992.33	0	100 %
SOCIAL DAY CARE (ICOA)	12992	12992.34	12992.34	0	100 %
OFFICE EXPENSE (ICOA)	16673	16673.00	16672.75	0.25	100 %
OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	8000	7999.33	7584.75	414.58	94.8 %
ENCUMBRANCES	0	1313.29	1313.29	0	100 %
STM COA BUILDING ADDITION	0	64621.50	64591.35	30.15	100 %
TOTAL COUNCIL ON AGING	161211	230545.79	228916.720	1629.07	99.3 %
01543 VETERANS' SERVICES					
OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	500	500.00	198.78	301.22	39.8 %
BENEFIT PAYMENTS	21000	31000.00	30907.83	92.17	99.7 %
TOTAL VETERANS' SERVICES	21500	31500.00	31106.610	393.39	98.8 %
01610 LIBRARY					
SALARIES	275495	279495.00	279495.00	0	100 %
LONGEVITY PAY	800	800.00	800.00	0	100 %
LIBRARY PROGRAMS	3000	962.57	962.57	0	100 %
EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE	500	0	0	0	0 %
BOOKS & PERIODICALS	63285	65725.30	65720.46	4.84	100 %
SUPPLIES & EXPENSES	4000	5327.36	5327.36	0	100 %
EDUCATION & TRAINING	2685	1454.77	1454.77	0	100 %
COMPUTER AUTOMATION	25000	25000.00	25000	0	100 %
ENCUMBRANCES	0	5529.50	5529.50	0	100 %
LIBRARY TECH EQUIP JAN 18 200	0	894.91	665.08	229.83	74.3 %
TOTAL LIBRARY	374765	385189.41	384954.740	234.67	99.9 %
01612 ARTS COUNCIL					
OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	500	500.00	0	500.00	0 %
TOTAL ARTS COUNCIL	500	500.00	0.00	500.00	0 %
01630 RECREATION					
FOREMANS SALARIES	46157	46157.00	46042.40	114.60	99.8 %
OTHER SALARIES	87912	87912.00	86954.85	957.15	98.9 %
LONGEVITY PAY	800	800.00	800.00	0	100 %
MAINTENANCE OCEAN PARK	15000	28885.30	28885.30	0	100 %

ACCOUNTS FOR 01 GENERAL FUND	ORIGINAL BUDGET	REVISED BUDGET	ACTUAL EXPENSES	AVAILABLE UNEXPENDED	PCT USED
TOWN BEACH EXPENSES	700	219.00	218.07	0.93	99.6 %
MATERIALS & EQUIPMENT	1300	1296.65	1296.65	0	100 %
FERT., SHRUBS & TREES	5000	4452.27	4452.27	0	100 %
BAND CONCERTS	3000	3000.00	3000.00	0	100 %
OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	16500	32292.08	32292.08	0	100 %
MOWER REPLACEMENT	0	3000.00	0	3000.00	0 %
REPAIRS PAY BEACH	0	12000.00	6280.00	5720.00	52.3 %
TOTAL RECREATION	176369	220014.30	210221.620	9792.68	95.5 %
01710 MATURING DEBT-PRINCIPAL					
LIBRARY CONSTRUCTION	175000	175000.00	175000.00	0	100 %
CONST. ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	725000	725000.00	725000.00	0	100 %
WASTEWATER	624086	624086.00	624085.1	0.90	100 %
LANDFILL CAPPING PRINCIPAL	87496	87496.00	87495.75	0.25	100 %
TOTAL MATURING DEBT-PRINCIPAL	1611582	1611582.00	1611580.850	1.15	100 %
01750 MATURING DEBT-INTEREST					
LIBRARY CONSTRUCTION	138382	138382.00	138381.25	0.75	100 %
CONST. ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	211200	211200.00	211200.00	0	100 %
TOTAL MATURING DEBT-INTEREST	349582	349582.00	349581.25	0.75	100 %
01751 INT. ON TEMPORARY DEBT					
WW PRIMARY CLARIFIER	0	1838.00	1837.50	0.50	100 %
WW DEWATERING SEPTAGE	0	6839.00	6811.00	28.00	99.6 %
WASTEWATER	226088	226088.00	226087.27	0.73	100 %
LANDFILL CAPPING INTEREST	22623	26441.00	26440.01	0.99	100 %
TOTAL INT. ON TEMPORARY DEBT	248711	261206.00	261175.78	30.22	100 %
01760 BOND ISSUANCE COSTS					
BOND ISSUANCE COSTS	2000	2000.00	1098.00	902.00	54.9 %
BOND REGISTER & TRANSFER	600	600.00	400.00	200.00	66.7 %
TOTAL BOND ISSUANCE COSTS	2600	2600.00	1498.000	1102.00	57.6 %
01840 STATE/COUNTY ASSESSMENTS					
COUNTY/STATE ASSESSMENTS	117499	117499.00	117499.28	-0.28	100 %
AIR POLLUTION ASSESS.	2838	2838.00	2838.00	0	100 %
NON-RENEWAL EXCISE TAX	13680	13680.00	14460.00	-780.00	105.7 %

ACCOUNTS FOR 01 GENERAL FUND	ORIGINAL BUDGET	REVISED BUDGET	ACTUAL EXPENSES	AVAILABLE UNEXPENDED	PCT USED
REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY	130827	130827.00	107147.00	23680.00	81.9 %
CHARTER SCHOOL ASSESSMENT	443360	536320.00	496651.00	39669.00	92.6 %
SCHOOL CHOICE ASSESSMENT	146985	166039.00	207650.00	-41611.00	125.1 %
TOTAL STATE/COUNTY ASSESSMENTS	855189	967203.00	946245.280	20957.72	97.8 %
01900 INTERFUND OPERATING TRANS					

TRANSFER TO TRUST FUNDS	0	25000.00	25000.00	0	100 %
TOTAL INTERFUND OPERATING TRANS	0	25000.00	25000.00	0	100 %
TOTAL GENERAL FUND EXPENSES	20677190	21918470.84	21199304.22	719166.62	96.7 %
60 WASTEWATER ENTERPRISE FUND	ORIGINAL BUDGET	REVISED BUDGET	ACTUAL EXPENSES	AVAILABLE UNEXPENDED	PCT USED -

60198 WASTEWATER ENTERPRISE FUND					

ADMINISTRATIVE SALARIES	205294	195294.00	184913.90	10380.10	94.7 %
OVERTIME	10250	20250.00	15264.32	4985.68	75.4 %
INSURANCE EXPENSE	67041	67041.00	1222.00	65819.00	1.8 %
TOWN BUILDING UTILITIES	2050	2622.93	2622.93	0	100 %
UTILITIES - ELECTRIC	61500	49912.39	39391.48	10520.91	78.9 %
PROFESSIONAL & TECHNICAL	14350	22106.74	22106.74	0	100 %
TELEPHONE EXPENSE	14863	17071.64	17071.64	0	100 %
SUPPLIES	5125	5125.00	510.80	4614.20	10 %
CHEMICAL SUPPLIES	26650	26650.00	26264.63	385.37	98.6 %
OFFICE SUPPLIES	1230	1279.77	1279.77	0	100 %
OTHER CHARGES & EXPENSES	20500	20808.92	20808.92	0	100 %
MAINTENANCE EXPENSES	5125	5125.00	3869.90	1255.10	75.5 %
SLUDGE DISPOSAL	102500	102500.00	88423	14077.00	86.3 %
NEW EQUIPMENT	14350	14350.00	12328.26	2021.74	85.9 %
REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT	14350	14350.00	13765.76	584.24	95.9 %
EQUIPMENT RENTAL	2563	2563.00	0	2563.00	0 %
TRAVEL EXPENSES	2563	2563.00	960.77	1602.23	37.5 %
TRAINING & SEMINARS	1025	1715.61	1715.61	0	100 %
MEMBERSHIPS	205	205.00	144.00	61.00	70.2 %
CONTINGENCY	30000	30000.00	12878.50	17121.50	42.9 %
TRANSFERS TO GENERAL FUND	0	441504.00	441504.00	0	100 %
OIL BURNER	0	15000.00	14736.80	263.20	98.2 %
LAND PURCHASE	0	190000.00	0	190000.00	0 %
TOTAL WASTEWATER ENTERPRISE FUND	601534	1248038.00	921783.73	326254.27	73.9 %
GRAND TOTAL	21278724	23166508.84	22121087.95	1045420.89	95.5 %

TOWN TREASURER

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and
the Citizens of the Town of Oak Bluffs:

Hereby submitted is the Town Treasurer's reconciliation of cash for the year ending June 30, 2007:

INTEREST ACCOUNTS:

BANKS	AMOUNTS
Sovereign Bank	2,316,420.49
Bank North	41,976.20
Century Bank	1,206,004.48
Mellon Bank	654,803.40
Rockland Trust	269,844.78
UniBank for Savings	1,117,365.63
Cash on Hand	205.00

TOTAL ALL ACCOUNTS:

TRUST ACCOUNTS:

BANKS	NAME OF TRUST	AMOUNTS
Sovereign	Barbey Poor	49,716.69
Sovereign	Clark Poor	7,445.08
Sovereign	Norton Poor	7,431.38
Sovereign	Stabilization	1,134,424.97
Sovereign	Municipal Building	9,126.08
Sovereign	Resident Homesite	177,615.99
Sovereign	Cemetery	13,676.24

\$7,006,056.41

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL M. MANZI
Finance Director/Treasurer

TAX COLLECTOR

	2007	2006	CHANGE
	COLLECTIONS	COLLECTIONS	
Real Estate	15,530,887.81	14,575,990.48	6.55%
CPA	388,606.46	338,021.41	14.97%
Personal Property	246,266.14	222,311.75	10.78%
Motor Vehicle Excise	587,608.21	759,817.70	-22.66%
Boat Excise	5,826.44	7,536.21	-22.69%
Utility Waste Water	451,585.69	457,534.58	-1.30%
Liens	27,634.73	66,562.07	-58.48%
Wastewater Betterment	342,751.40	340,299.48	0.72%
	17,581,166.88	16,768,073.68	4.85%

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and
the Citizens of the Town of Oak Bluffs:

I herewith submit the annual report of the Town Collector.

Although the overall collections are up for fiscal year 2007, we are beginning to see a decline in the collection of Motor Vehicle excise taxes. People are holding on to their vehicles longer and perhaps buying used instead of brand new cars.

April of 2008 will start my fifth year as your Town Collector. This past December, I was awarded my certifi-

cation as a Massachusetts Collector at the College of the Holy Cross in Worcester, Mass. It is my honor and pleasure to serve you and represent the Town of Oak Bluffs.

The Tax Office would like to remind everyone that current taxes can be paid online by visiting our website www.ci.oak-bluffs.ma.us.

Respectfully submitted,

CHERYLL A. SASHIN

FINANCE AND ADVISORY COMMITTEE

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and
the Citizens and Taxpayers of the Town of Oak Bluffs:

The Oak Bluffs Finance and Advisory Committee is
composed of nine elected members serving three-year
terms. For FY 2008, the members are

Thad Harshbarger, Chair
Mike Perry, Vice chair
Joe Alosso
Doug Best
Frank Case
Mimi Davisson
Bill McGrath
Peter Palches
Adam Wilson

Throughout the year, we meet twice monthly to review
issues affecting Town finances, to consult with the Finance
Director, the Town Administrator, Selectmen, Department
Heads, taxpayers and interested citizens. In budget season
(January to March) we meet weekly.

We are charged with examining all financial matters of
the Town on behalf of the citizens and taxpayers. As part
of our work, we review and report to you our findings
about the financial implications of every warrant article
before every regular and special Town Meeting. Toward
the end of each fiscal year, we review current income and
spending and go over department budgets as part of
preparing a Town budget for the upcoming fiscal year.

In FY 2008, through careful budgeting from many
Department heads, the Town was once again able to
operate within a budget that was free of overrides.
However, cost control is not our only concern: equally
important are providing adequate services, maintaining
Town infrastructure, and providing appropriate wages and
benefits to Town employees. The Finance Committee
participated actively in the process, with special help from
the Town Administrator Michael Dutton and Finance
Director Paul Manzi.

Finance Committee members are involved in other
aspects of government - the Building Department, the
Capital Planning Committee, the Personnel Board, the
County, the schools, the Waste Water Department. This
breadth of participation and experience helps committee
members evaluate the importance of all expenses that are
reflected in your taxes.

Members of this committee have also participated
regularly in the Martha's Vineyard Finance Association,
where Finance Committee members from the several
Vineyard Towns share with each other issues they have in
common: refuse disposal, the cost of schools, increasing
costs of providing health insurance for Town employees,
and so on.

At our April 2007 Town Meeting, the voters supported
a provision of Massachusetts law that allowed Oak Bluffs
to withdraw from the Regional Agreement for apportioning
costs of the High School. As a consequence, the High
School budget was divided somewhat differently, giving
the 2008 budget a reduction of more than \$400,000.
However, this is a temporary saving, and only relative to
the Regional Agreement. In the long run, the State formula
will most likely yield a High School assessment similar to
that of the Regional Agreement.

Throughout the year, members of the Finance
Committee worked to inform officials in other Towns and
the general public that the Regional Agreement was itself
fundamentally unfair. Crafted over fifty years ago, it
allowed the six Towns to cooperate in building and
operating a single High School for the Vineyard. However,
it treats the education of Students as a Town responsibility
and bills each Town according to the proportion of High
School students who come from that Town.

Within each Town, the assessment is then added to the
tax rate for property owners, regardless of whether they
have children in the High School or not. As a consequence,
taxpayers in different Towns see different increments to
their tax rates for the same service. Oak Bluffs taxpayers
pay at a substantially higher rate than people from wealthy
Towns and Towns with large estates and farms.

Our campaign for fairness has not yet been successful.
However, members of the Finance Committee will
continue to work toward a system in which all property
owners on the Island support the High School at the same
rate, regardless of where they pay taxes.

We will also continue our vigilant review of other
potential inequities and work toward reasonable growth
and fiscal responsibility.

Respectfully submitted,

THAD R. HARSHBARGER, Chairperson

PUBLIC SAFETY

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Honorable Board of Selectmen and
Citizens and Businesses of Oak Bluffs:

It is with pleasure to provide you with the 2007 *Annual Report* for the Police Department. Once again this past year we experienced many changes within the police Department. I am encouraged that by this June we will once again be at full staffing. During the most recent hiring process it became paramount that officers seeking employment would have to demonstrate their commitment to longevity with the Department and possess what can be termed as roots in the community. This annual report will highlight the activities, programs and safety incentives of this past year. I reiterate that we are committed to providing outstanding service to all members of our community, holding ourselves to the highest moral, legal and ethical standards and proactively preventing and solving crimes. On a personal note, I continue to be active in the following organizations; Chairmen of the International Association of Chiefs of Police Civil Rights Committee, member of the International Association of Chiefs of Police Community Policing Committee and the President of the Southeastern Massachusetts Chiefs of Police Association.

As mentioned above the Department has gone through transitions during this past year. Brian Kenney resigned in February to move back to his hometown and obtained a position with the Hanson Police Department. Nicholas Peterson resigned in August to move back to his hometown of Taunton and obtained a position with the Seekonk Police Department; Kristine Cammorata resigned in September to move to Canton and is attending Nursing School.

Michael Marchand was promoted to Sergeant in May. He has performed admirably as the Department's Field Training Officer (FTO), Safety Seat Officer, School Resource Coordinator, and liaison for the Mobil Command Vehicle.

Jeffrey LaBell joined our Department in May. Jeff previously worked part time for the Edgartown Police Department and fulltime for Tisbury Police Department. Jeff graduated from Boylston Police Academy in July 2005. Since joining the Department Jeff has joined the Motorcycle Unit, Martha's Vineyard Drug Task Force, and Boat Crew.

Jeffrey Trudel graduated from the Boylston Academy in June and was appointed on June 18th. He has joined the Martha's Vineyard Drug Task Force.

Christopher Oteri was hired full time in July and graduated from the Lowell Police Academy in November where he earned Top Gun Award for his class. Chris has been a Special Officer since 2003. Chris serves on our Boat Crew.

Heather Jaglowski joined the Department in August as our Animal Control Officer. Heather has displayed a high level of energy and professionalism while dealing with domestic animals and their owners.

Special Officers Timothy Chiappini, Matthew Hughes, and Adam Hill have all gone through the Departments Field Training Officer Program and are now working patrol shifts.

The Department family is growing. Erik and Lynn Blake expanded their family with the birth of their daughter, Izabella Chang Blake, in August. Christopher and Jen Wiggin welcomed their son, Wyatt Evan Wiggin, in October.



Officer Jeffrey Trudel and Family being pinned at his appointment ceremony.



Officer Jeffrey LaBell and his Mom, Linda being pinned at his appointment ceremony.



Officer Christopher Oteri and Chief Blake. Chris is receiving his "Top Gun" award from his graduation.



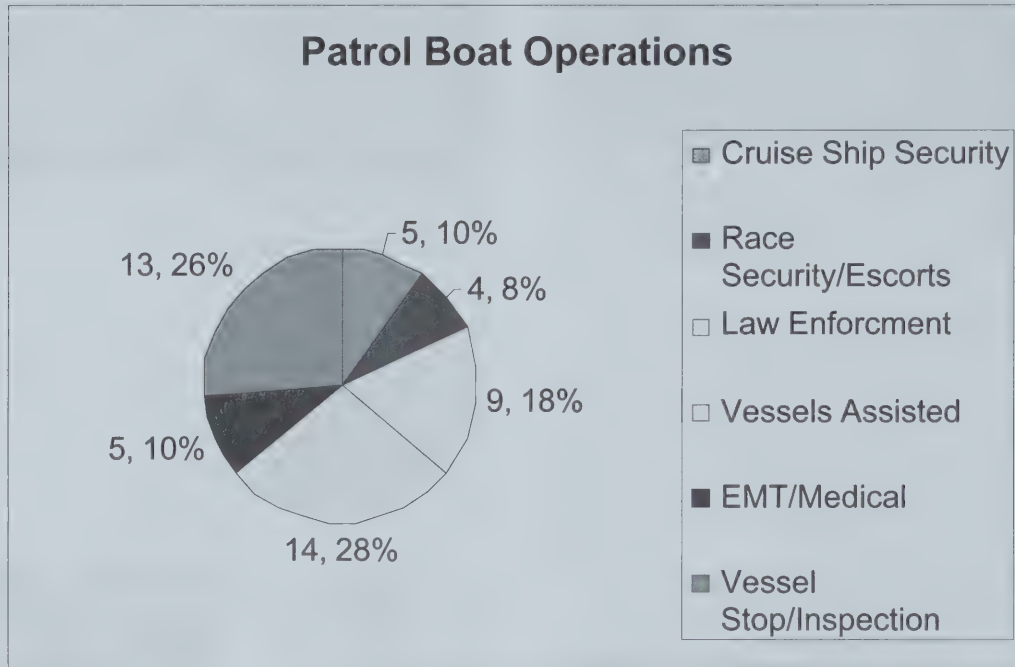
Sergeant Michael Marchand and son, Matthew being pinned at his promotion ceremony.

PATROL BOAT OPERATIONS

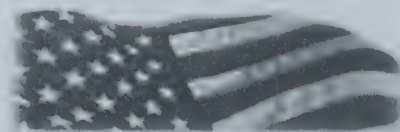
Sergeant George Fisher, Officer In Charge Marine Operations, is pleased with the progress crew members are making with their underway skills. They use every operation as a training opportunity which results in greater competency, safety and comfort levels when conducting

the various evolutions. The Department appreciates the continued support of the Oak Bluffs Emergency Management Committee and the Town's financial commitment. The result is a valuable maritime resource that sustains response capabilities for the public as well as the economic benefits related to cruise ship port times.

Marine Operations conducted during 2007:



Cruise Ship Security	5
Race Security/Escorts	4
Law Enforcement	9
Vessels Assisted	14
EMT/Medical	5
Vessel Stop/Inspection	13
Total Operations	34



MOBIL COMMAND UNIT



In October, Lieutenant Williamson and Sergeant Marchand participated in a Mobile Command Vehicle Training exercise sponsored by Wolf coach, Microwave Radio Communications and Raytheon. Mobile Command Vehicles from across the Commonwealth attended this advanced training exercise.

In December, the Oak Bluffs Police Department hosted basic mobile command vehicle training sponsored by Wolfcoach. This training was well attended by several officers from each of the island's law enforcement agencies.

This year, the Oak Bluffs Police Department used the mobile command unit for the Fourth of July weekend,

Boston Pops, Illumination Night and Fireworks. The mobile command unit is a self contained climate controlled mobile office with internet, phone and radio communications.

Sergeant Fisher and Sergeant Marchand recently set up the mobile command vehicle at the Island Communications Center at the airport after the building was struck by lightning. The mobile command unit allowed Sheriff's dispatchers to continue fielding calls for service for the six island communities while necessary repairs were made to the communications equipment.

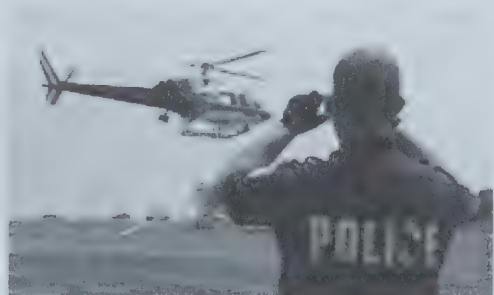
The Mobil Command Unit is instrumental in properly managing critical incidents and large scale planned events

PUBLIC SAFETY DAY

The Department hosted the 2nd Annual Public Safety Day in June under the direction of Sergeant Michael Marchand and Executive Assistant Suzanne Cioffi. The event was a success again this year with the participation from the following agencies: Massachusetts State Police



Oak Bluffs Police and Fire Rescue Boat demonstration at Pay Beach.



Officer Steven Conley and State Police Helicopter landing at Waban Park.

Air Wing, K-9 Unit, Motorcycle Unit, local Troopers; Oak Bluffs Fire Department; Oak Bluffs Ambulance; Oak Bluffs Emergency Management; Seat belt Simulator by the Furino Family; Dukes County Sheriff's Department. The Department received generous donations from Douglas Abdelnour, Nancy's restaurant, Sun and Fun, Giordano's Restaurant, Carousel Ice Cream, Cash & Carry, Maciel and Son's Inc, Sweat Shop, Stop and Shop, Reliable Market, Cronig's, Jason Araujo, The Lampost, Cole Powers, Island Food Products and Leites Towing.

CHILD PASSENGER SAFETY

The Child Passenger Safety Seat program has grown significantly in 2007. The Oak Bluffs Police Department partnered with the Martha's Vineyard Hospital providing car safety inspections for all soon to be parents. Sergeant Marchand teaches parents the proper way to install a child passenger safety seat in a controlled environment inside the Police Station using a vehicle safety seat simulator. Parents then test their skills installing the child seat into their personal vehicles. The installation is then inspected by Sgt. Marchand and a certificate of compliance is issued.

This inspection is recommended by hospital maternity staff to all parents in each of the six island communities. The Oak Bluffs Police Department is currently the only law enforcement agency on Martha's Vineyard who has a certified child passenger safety technician. We are hoping to host a CPS technician course at the Oak Bluffs Police Department in the spring which will be available for island police officers, Firefighters, EMT's and hospital staff.

The Dukes County Deputy Sheriff's Association gave a generous donation of \$5000.00 to purchase child passenger safety seats for the island community.

JUNIOR POLICE ACADEMY

The Department conducted its 7th Annual Junior Police Academy at the end of August it was directed by Sergeant Marchand. Thirteen student recruits, ranging in ages from 9-13 participated in this year's academy. This no-cost week long program provides recruits with quasi-military style training on different aspects of law enforcement. The goal of the program is to teach discipline, self-esteem, respect and teamwork.



Jeannie Pierson, Police Clerk, demonstrating the vehicle safety seat simulator

This year's subject matter included Criminal Law, Motor Vehicle Law, Defensive Tactics, Stranger Danger, Handgun Safety and Peer Pressure. We had a field trip to the Courthouse and the jail. Recruits were taken on board the patrol boat the Red, White and Blue for an afternoon harbor cruise learning port security and maritime safety operations. The final day, recruits worked on team building exercises with Captain Bob Ogden, from the Dukes County Sheriff's Department at the DARE Ropes Course.

The dedication and commitment of Officer(s) James Morse, Christopher Wiggin, Jeffrey LaBell, Matthew Hughes, and Dustin Shaw made this year's Junior Police Academy a success.



Chief Erik Blake and Junior Police Cadet Liam Smith

POLICE CHAPLAIN

The Police Department Chaplain, Officer/Chaplain David Berube, is categorized according to the functional areas of the Chaplain Mission Statement: Presence, Support, and Counsel. Officer/Chaplain David Berube added a category to include administration and training.

MINISTRY OF PRESENCE

Activity	Number of Contacts	Time
Visits	216	55:00
Brazilian Community Outreach Project	N/A	4:00
Swearing-in for Sgt. Marchand	N/A	1:00
TOTALS	N/A	60:00



"Upholding those who uphold the law"

MINISTRY OF SUPPORT

Activity	Number of Contacts	Time
Death Notification and consult on APD notification	2	1:45
Prayer/care for family member's death (one civilian, one law enforcement)	2	3:30
TOTALS	N/A	5:15

MINISTRY OF COUNSEL

Activity	Number of Contacts	Time
Confidential Sessions	N/A	10:45
TOTALS	N/A	10:45

ADMINISTRATION AND TRAINING

Activity	Number of Contacts	Time
Meetings with Chief	1	1:30
Prepare/train Specials on role of department chaplain	N/A	1:30
Meetings with local pastors	5	4:00
TOTALS	N/A	10:00

Ministry of Presence

This continues to be the cornerstone of Officer/Chaplain David Berube's ministry with department members. Maintaining contact in the daily flow of life constantly deepens the relationships and open doors for other support when needed.

Ministry of Support

Officer/Chaplain Berube was called upon four times this year to deal with death notifications or be present as family members dealt with the fresh news of a loved one's death. He is humbled to provide pastoral care and hope in those moments of loss and grief.

Ministry of Counsel

His time spent in counseling this year has decreased significantly. This reverses a three year trend of increases. In his informal assessment of department stress, he has determined that a lot of internal stress over those years derived from space and staffing shortages. Both stressors were addressed and this seems to have alleviated some issues.

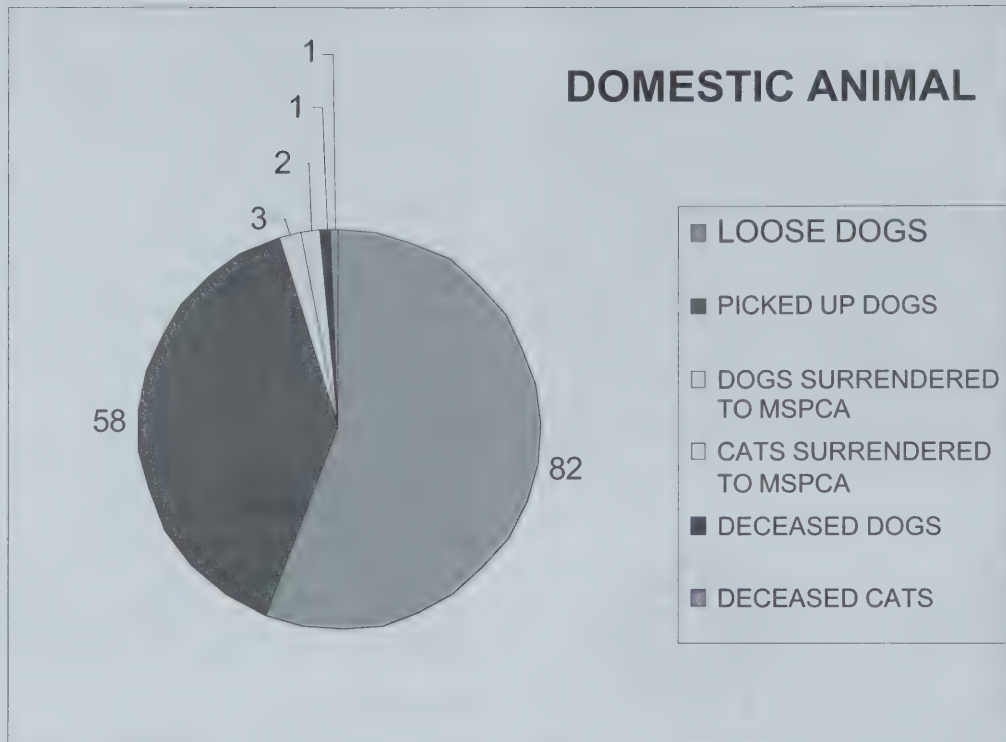
GOALS FOR 2008

1. Meet formally with command staff
2. Publish protocols for Chaplain call-outs (death notifications, etc.)
3. Attend International Conference of Police Chaplains regional training
4. Provide department training in critical incidents
5. Evaluate and renew the S.T.A.R. Team
6. Provide another Law Enforcement Worship Service



Officer/Chaplain David Berube

ANIMAL CONTROL



Loose Dogs	82
Picked up Dogs	58
Dogs Surrendered	3
Cats Surrendered	2
Deceased Dogs	1
Deceased Cats	1

Any person violating this Bylaw shall be subject to the fine schedule set out in Chapter 140, Section 173A, of the Massachusetts General Laws, as the same may be amended from time to time. Charges for boarding stray dogs shall be determined by the Board of Selectmen.

Animal Control Officer Heather Jaglowski has issued Leash Law Warnings and License/Vaccination Violations in the past year to 83 canine owners.

Leash Law

Voted March 6, 1973, Article 24

Amended May 2,3,4, 1989, Article 70; Approved by the Attorney General July 24, 1989; Posted July 27, 1989

Amended March 29, 2005 Article 6; Approved by the Attorney General May 26, 2005;

Posted June 7, 2005

Dogs are to be leashed and restrained by the owner or keeper. No persons who owns or keeps a dog shall allow the animal to run free when not restricted to the premises of said owner or keeper. When off said premises, such dogs shall be leashed or restrained, except that dogs may be allowed to run free, but under the control of their owners, on such Town-owned property, as is designated as a dog park by the Board of Selectmen following an advertised public hearing to designate the property for such use.

NEW FLEET

In May the Department replaced our marked vehicles with 2007 Dodge Chargers. Also, in June the Department purchased two new motorcycles with money from the Revolving Ambulance Fund. The Department Motorcycle Operation Unit comprises: Sergeant Marchand, Detective Nicholas Curelli, Officer James Morse, Officer Christopher Wiggan, Officer Berube, Officer LaBell and Officer Mendez.



Oak Bluffs Narcotics Enforcement Team (OBNET)

If you are aware of illegal narcotic use or distribution, please call Lieutenant Timothy Williamson or Detective Nicholas Curelli at (508) 693-0750 or the ***ANONYMOUS HOTLINE*** at (508) 696-0303. Your confidential involvement can make Oak Bluffs a safer place for everyone.

TRAININGS

Chief Erik Blake, Lieutenant Williamson, Sergeant Fisher and Sergeant Marchand completed In-Service Supervisors hosted by the Massachusetts Police Training Committee (MPTC). Topics included: Legislative Discussion, Current Trends in Gangs, Criminal Procedure, Motor Vehicle Procedure, Domestic Violence Law and Current Topics by Attorney Jack Collins.

Officer/Chaplain David Berube completed Basic Police Prosecutor at Medford in January.

Officer Daniel Cassidy has completed the following training through the MPTC: Firearms Instructors Course: This was a 5 day course in which Officer Cassidy was certified to qualify Department employees in firearms training and safety for the department issued Glock 40cal. as well as shotgun.

Patrol Rifle Instructors Course: This was a 3 day course in which Officer Cassidy was certified to qualify Department employees in patrol rifle training and safety for the department issued M-4 rifle.

Less-Lethal Shotguns: This was a 1 day course in which Officer Cassidy and Officer Damien Harris were certified to qualify Department employees in Less-Lethal shotgun. The Less-Lethal shotgun is a new addition to the Oak Bluffs Police Department and is another tool for officer's to use in order to deescalate harmful situations without having to rise to the level of "Deadly Force". The Department has become certified with Less Lethal Munitions.

School Lock-down Training was a 1 day course held by the Dennis-Yarmouth Police Department in which Officer Cassidy was certified to train Officers and School Administration/Staff in school lock-down procedures. In the event of an emergency or possible lethal threat inside of a school building, officers, school administration/staff are trained and qualified to shut down daily operations and make their students as well as themselves safe as possible until law enforcement is able to neutralize the situation and return order.

Veteran Patrol Officers, Detective Nicholas Curelli, Officer James Morse, Officer Damien Harris, Officer/Chaplain David Berube, Officer Daniel Cassidy, and Officer Jeffrey LaBell completed a five day training program thru the MPTC which included updates on Motor Vehicle Law, Criminal Law, Domestic Violence, CPR, AED (Automatic External Defibrillator) training, First Responder (First Aid), Sexual Harassment, Community Policing, Use of Force, and Firearms Qualification.

Sergeant Michael Marchand, Officer Damien Harris, Officer Christopher Oteri, Officer Jermaine Mendez and Officer Steven Conley completed Fraudulent Documents and False Identification & MA Liquor Control Act Training for Law Enforcement in April

Officer Jeffrey LaBell and Officer Jermaine Mendez completed Basic Police Motorcycle Operations in May.

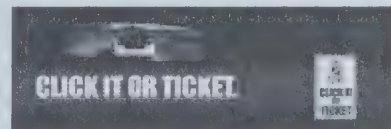
Lieutenant Williamson, Detective Curelli, Officer Peterson and Sergeant Jeffrey Stone of the Massachusetts State Police attended the New England Narcotic Enforcement Officers Association training and awards banquet in May in Hyannis.

Sergeant Marchand completed Command Training Series: First Line Supervisor Course at Roger Williams University in Rhode Island in September. Topics included: Leadership, Management and Transitions for First Line Supervisors; Problem-Solving; Organizational & Interpersonal Communications; Labor Relations; Disciplinary Issues; Performance Evaluations; and Ethical Decision-Making.

Animal Control Officer Heather Jaglowski attended an informational and educational training sponsored by the Animal Control Officer's Association on Martha's Vineyard in December.

GRANTS

The Governor's Highway Safety Bureau (GHSB), awarded the Department a \$7000 grant to conduct extra traffic enforcement during the statewide *Drunk Driving. Over the Limit. Under Arrest; Road Respect; and Click It or Ticket* Campaigns. In addition to preventing aggressive and impaired driving and speeding, these mobilizations also allow us to increase compliance with the Massachusetts safety belt and child passenger safety laws. A portion of the award will also allow the Department to purchase equipment to support the various campaigns.



With the continued support of the Executive Office of Public Safety (EOPS), the Department maintained its commitment to Service, Integrity, and Professionalism as the recipient of the State Community Policing Grant Award. As previously mentioned our 2nd Annual Public Safety Day was made possible, as well as the funding for the 7th Annual Junior Police Academy. Our Cops In Shops program, an initiative to ensure liquor establishment compliance was also funded by EOPS.

The Oak Bluffs Police Department continues to be the grant administrator for the Martha's Vineyard Drug Task Force.

All Department Officers received new bullet proof vests from the Bullet Proof Vest Grant.

OAK BLUFFS POLICE DEPARTMENT



BRAZILIAN COMMUNITY OUTREACH PAMPHLET

Service Integrity
Professionalism

Brazilian Community Outreach Pamphlet

In February of this year the Department created a Brazilian Community Outreach Pamphlet in an effort to reach out to members of our Brazilian Community and to provide a resource to educate them in areas we felt needed attention. Specifically, officers had learned that many crimes against individuals were going unreported by victims because of fear that the police would be more concerned about their immigration status rather than the crime committed against them. We wanted to dispel that belief and ensure them that their status as victim of a crime was paramount to whether they were here legally or not and that we are committed to working with them and helping them receive justice.

The second area we wanted to focus and provide education on is the motor vehicle laws in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. We were specifically concerned with the high incidences of unlicensed operation and wanted to dispel some of the misconceptions regarding international drivers' licenses and when a foreign license could or could not be used.

The pamphlet was printed in both English and Brazilian Portuguese and was distributed at various

locations throughout the community. It was well received and has seemed to have opened the lines of communications between the leadership of the Department and leaders in the Brazilian community. We believe that the pamphlet has made a positive impact on traffic offenses. Statistical data collected on traffic offenses every year by the Department reflects a large decrease in unlicensed operation with 142 violators cited last year compared to only 77 this year, a decrease of 42%.

The Oak Bluffs Police Department is committed to providing quality police services to the community at large and will continue to reach out to the members of our Brazilian community to foster a strong and open partnership.

In closing, I prepare this annual report for the Oak Bluffs Police Department with a heavy heart and a great sense of loss as we all mourn the passing of Chief Peter M Williamson. He was the ultimate example of professionalism and dedication to a community. I am honored that he offered me a guiding hand as I started my policing career and he proved to be a mentor both professionally and personally. His legacy cannot be measured, for he touched too many lives and helped too many people and for this he will truly be missed, will always be remembered.

For all the members of the Oak Bluffs Police Department I thank you for your continued support. If you have questions or comments on any initiatives or programs feel free to contact us via our website www.police.oak-bluffs.ma.us or phone (508) 693-0750.

Respectfully submitted,

ERIK G. BLAKE
Chief



Chief Peter M. Williamson
December 3, 1937 – January 23, 2008

Part I Crimes (Arrests)

Homicide	0
Sexual Assault	0
Robbery	0
Aggravated Assault	32
Burglary	3
Auto Theft	0

Part II Crimes (Arrests)

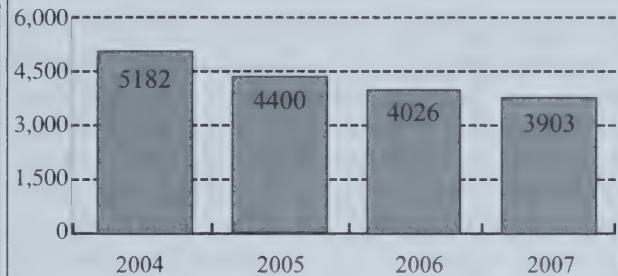
Vandalism	1
Weapons Violations	0
Drugs	10
OUI	58
Disorderly Conduct	20
Liquor Law Violations	11
Total Arrests*	275

* represents all arrests made including those listed above

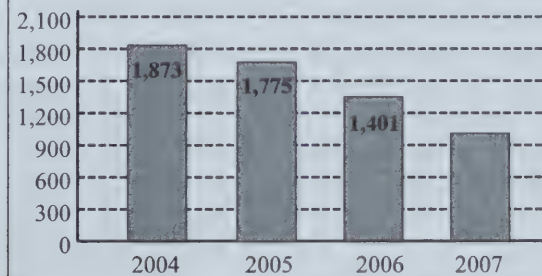
* does not include Drug Task Force arrests

Oak Bluffs Police officers responded to 7,120 calls for service in 2007. This figure represents dispatched, walk in and self initiated incident reports.

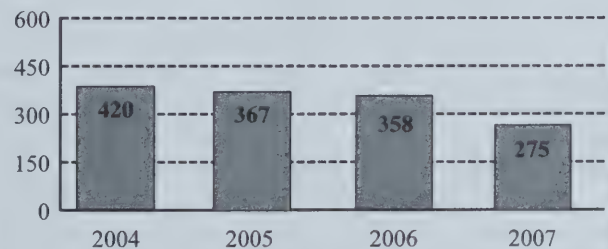
Parking Tickets Issued



Motor Vehicle Citations



Arrests



The Oak Bluffs Police Department issued 250 criminal summonses in lieu of arrest for part one/misdemeanor crimes.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Oak Bluffs:

It is with great excitement and honor that I present to you my first annual report of the Oak Bluffs Fire Department.

July arrived and I was cautiously welcomed by the department, who were no doubt anticipating unfamiliar change. My first order of business was to meet with the members and discuss my plans for the future and what I as Chief would be expecting from the department, and what the department would be expecting from me. Once I expressed my goal was a commitment to protecting the lives and property of the citizens of Oak Bluffs by providing a department of highly trained firefighters, who are well equipped to respond effectively to the needs of our community...there was nothing left to say, we were off and running.

Appointments:

Assistant Chief Tony Ferreira was given charge of the Investigation Office. He will oversee all fire investigation procedures and fire related inspections, with the assistance of Captain Peter Martell and Captain James Moreis, Jr.

Captain Bruce O'Donnell was appointed Assistant Chief and the department's Equipment and Maintenance Officer. He is working on instituting a program for regular and annual maintenance and testing for apparatus, pumps and scott packs. We would like to thank the Wilmington Fire Department for generously donating 43 used scott pack bottles and packs. We now have enough for each firefighter to have their own pack, as well as extra tanks for training purposes.

Captain Shawn Broadley was designated the department's Head Training Officer. He will be working with the Dukes County Training Council and the Massachusetts Fire Academy to improve on levels of training and education within the department.

In January, we welcomed Anita Billings to fulfill the new position of Executive Assistant. Her position is a dual role which will be shared between the Fire Department and the Ambulance Service. She will also be relieving the Building Department by taking over the paperwork for all fire related inspections and permits for the Town. She is a much needed asset in order to achieve an organized, professional and up to date Department.

Training and Education:

16 Firefighters are presently enrolled in the Firefighter 1 course. This is a 120 hour introduction course which teaches the behaviors and characteristics of fire, and the techniques firefighters use to battle and extinguish the fire. We are also working on a First Responder Course, which

will train our members in CPR and basic patient assessment and care. My hope is to have the entire department certified in both courses by the end of the year.

I am proud to report that we have instituted a new Junior Firefighter Program for ages 15 to 18. Captain John Rose is the program's coordinator and we currently have 6 new participants completing basic firefighting training. These young trainees will only assist at live fire scenes until they turn 18, at which point they will be educated and ready to become active firefighters on the department.

In October we conducted a mock MCI (Mass Casualty Incident) on the Steamship Authority Vessel Martha's Vineyard. Drills such as this one prepare us for emergency situation that arise in unique settings, and enable us to better protect our community. I would like to thank all the agencies who participated and a special thanks to JWL Transport for the vehicles and Marc Hanover for his efforts in securing the vessel for our use.

We once again welcomed the K-3 elementary students from around the Island to our station for Fire Prevention Week in October. Fire Prevention Officer Josh Forend with the assistance of EMT Peter Tennant and Captain James Moreis, Jr., educated students in fire prevention, the stop, drop and roll method, and general fire dangers. Each year The Executive Office of Public Safety & Security awards S.A.F.E. (Student Awareness of Fire Education) grants to Fire Departments who participate in a community fire education program. Over the next year our Executive Assistant along with our Fire Prevention Officer will be preparing all of the elements necessary to secure a S.A.F.E. Grant for 2009.

Our entire department is now fully trained in the practice of the NIMS (National Incident Management System). This system is a universally recognized scene management program which produces a higher level of communication, organization and safety on any emergency incident. We also implemented an Accountability System required by NIMS, which is a vital tool in protecting our firefighters who enter fire filled and collapsing buildings.

Equipment and Maintenance:

We have acquired the Police Department's Ford Expedition. It is presently being painted and installed with fire equipment and radios, and should be here in March. This vehicle will be used as Incident Command on fire and accident scenes and will include the NIMS Accountability System. It will also be used for the on duty chief to respond to alarm calls that regularly come in. An important piece of equipment in the Expedition will be a Multi Gas Meter. When an alarm goes off in a residence or business this meter will be able to detect for elevated levels of dangerous combustibles, carbon monoxide, hydrogen sulfide, and oxygen.

In the near future we will be looking to expand our Fire Station. The need for an administrative office and training room has become increasingly obvious since the addition of our Executive Assistant. We also need additional space to house the ambulances. Two of the ambulances are presently occupying a space meant for only one piece of apparatus, and the result is unnecessary damage to the ambulances as well as the fire station bay doors. We hope to use the Ambulance Reserve Account as our funding source for the project.

We currently have an inadequate ventilation system in our Fire Station that is a priority for replacement. Diesel Engines used in fire apparatus produce a mixture of toxic gases. When our fire trucks leave and return to the station, they emit these toxic fumes which fill up the bays and penetrate clothing, furniture and other items that firefighters, ambulance personnel, and now our executive assistant regularly contact. Exposure to these gases is a health hazard and is known to cause cancer. We are considering the use of the Plymo-Vent System, which utilizes a pneumatic nozzle to attach to the trucks tailpipe and captures nearly 100% of these dangerous exhaust fumes. We look forward to your support as we get closer to making a decision on this system.

Closing Statements:

I would like to acknowledge Dennis P. Alley for his 52 years of service on the department and his commitment to the community of Oak Bluffs. We wish him a well deserved retirement. I would also like to thank Michael Dutton and the Selectmen for helping to create a smooth transition as I was delegated Chief.

Our department could not provide a safe community without the cooperation of the many departments here in town including the Highway, Water and Police Departments, for this I am grateful. To Captain John Rose and the entire ambulance service, I commend your strength and determination to always put the welfare of the Town first. I have seen firsthand that your skills and professionalism are second to none.

To the men and women of the Oak Bluffs Fire Department, I am so impressed by your perseverance and dedication to protecting out town. I am privileged to be your Chief.

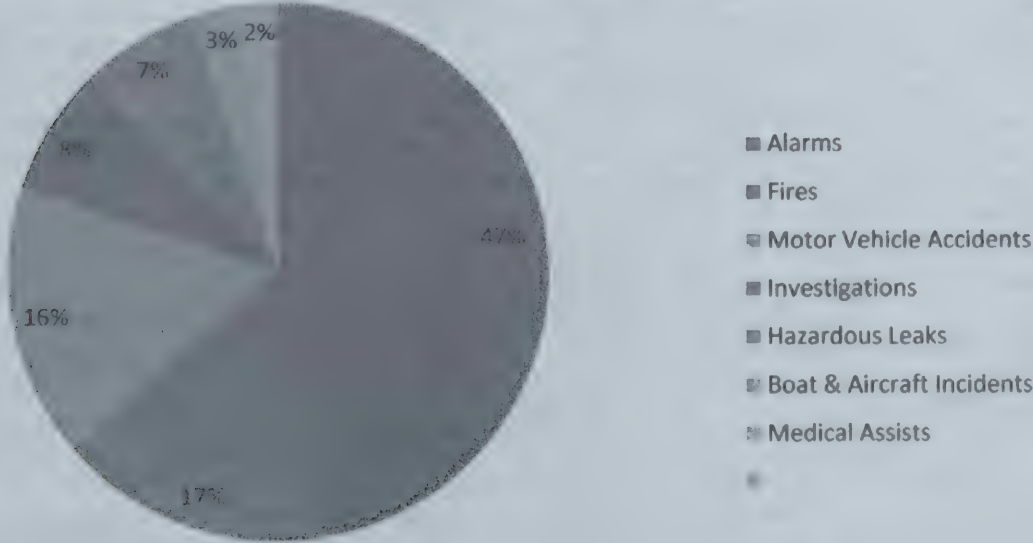
Respectfully submitted,

GILBERT FOREND, Chief

The Oak Bluffs Fire Department responded to 212 calls for service in 2007:

Alarms (Smoke).....	95	Grass and Dumpster Fires	5
Carbon Monoxide Alarms.....	4	Motor Vehicle Accidents	35
Structure Fires	6	Investigations	16
Chimney Fires	6	Hazardous Products (Leaks)	15
Car Fires.....	4	Boating and Aircraft Incidents.....	6
Kitchen and Appliance Fires.....	5	Medical Assists	5
Electrical Fires	10		

Fire Incidents





Fire Chief Gilbert (Pete) Forend
Asst. Chief Anthony Ferreira

Engine Co #1:

Capt. Shawn Broadley
 Lt. Daniel Rogers
 Lt. Kyle Gatchell
 FF. George Fisher
 FF. Jesse Fuller
 FF. James Morse
 FF. Christopher Wiggin
 Jr. FF. Michael Capen

Engine Co #3:

Capt. James Moreis, Jr.
 Lt. Greg Hines
 Lt. Marques Rivers
 FF. Matt Bradley
 FF. Nick Butler
 FF. Wendy Clark
 FF. Michael Combra
 FF. Harry Smith
 FF. Josh Correllus
 Jr. FF. Cody Maciel

Rescue:

Capt. Antone White
 Lt. Paul Humber
 Lt. Erik Wildanger
 FF. Michael Araujo
 FF. Ken Davey
 FF. Jason Forend
 FF. Josh Forend
 FF. John O'Donnell
 FF. Kenny Ponte
 Jr. FF. Kevin O'Donnell

Deputy Chief James Moreis, Sr.
Asst. Chief Bruce O'Donnell

Engine Co #2:

Capt. James Maseda
 Lt. Raymond Moreis
 FF. Timothy Mavro
 FF. Troy Vanderhoop
 FF. Joshua Alwardt
 FF. William Stretter
 FF. Christopher Borselle
 Jr. FF. Timothy Parker

Engine Co. #4:

Capt. John Rose
 Lt. Robert Williston
 Lt. Manuel Rose
 FF. Jason Blandini
 FF. John Gonsalves
 FF. Timothy Rogers
 FF. Trulayna Rose
 FF. Scott Sanfilippo
 FF. Enrico Holley
 Jr. FF. Antone Silvia

Ladder:

Capt. Buddy DeBettencourt
 Lt. William DeBettencourt III
 Lt. Allen DeBettencourt
 FF. Joseph DeBettencourt
 FF. Todd DeBettencourt
 FF. Walter Hammond

Fire Investigator:

Capt. Peter Martell

Fire Police:

Peter Tennant
 Jack Law
 Richard Mavro

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE

Honorable Board of Selectmen and
Citizens of Oak Bluffs:

It is my pleasure to present to you the 2007 annual report of the Oak Bluffs Emergency Medical Services.

I am amazed that 7 years have passed since I became Captain of the Ambulance. So many advancements in emergency care have taken place; it is truly rewarding when we can make a difference in someone's life.

Community Efforts:

Due to the construction at the Martha's Vineyard Hospital, we were able to secure a secondary landing site for Medflights at the old Tradewinds Airfield. Thank you to the Land Bank and Boston Medflight for their cooperation in making this possible.

The squad participated in the Annual Health Fair at the Martha's Vineyard Hospital. We brought our ambulances and displayed our equipment, took blood pressures and gave explanations of what Emergency Medical Technicians do for pre-hospital care.

We were invited to take part in Public Safety Day again with the Police Department in June. It was a great event where we provided first aid kits and glucometer and blood pressure readings.

In November we assumed Incident Command over the Flu Vaccination Clinic at the High School. Our staff set up the tables and assisted the nurses in loading the needles with the vaccine. Our ambulance was also available in case of possible reactions.

Our department was requested for many Town events this year. It is apparent that as the numbers of people who attend these events increase, so is the potential for injuries and other emergency situations. We were able to provide coverage around the park for the Boston Pops Concert as well as the Harbor for the Shark Tournament.

We have recently expanded our transport service to include Coast Guard Medical Evacuations. When a patient requires advanced medical care, they are transported to a receiving hospital via Boston MedFlight helicopters. When adverse weather conditions occur, MedFlight is unable to respond. In those cases, a Coast Guard Aircraft is called in. Unfortunately, the Coast Guard does not provide medical staffing for these transports and with a patient's life at stake; our Paramedics are called to duty. This becomes an extremely dangerous and exhausting process for our Medics who provide care to the patient while in route to Logan Airport, and then assist in transferring the patient to a Boston Ambulance for transport to a receiving hospital. Once that process has been completed, our Medics are then

flown to Otis Air Force Base where they wait to be transported to Woods Hole of the Coast Guard and delivered back to the Island by the Oak Bluffs Fire/Police Boat. This entire daunting mission averages 8 hours and can occur at all hours of the night. We are the only ambulance service to provide this type of assistance to our community.

Education and Training:

Our Service consists of 36 extremely dedicated and talented Emergency Medical Technicians (EMT's). We have 25 Basic Level EMT's, 2 Intermediate Level EMT's, and 9 Paramedic Level EMT's. Each Basic Level EMT must complete 28 hours of continuing education every 2 years plus a 20 hour refresher course. Intermediate and Paramedic Level EMT's must complete 25 hours of continuing education every two years, a 48 hour refresher course, plus an Advanced Cardiac Life Support Course.

In addition to these mandatory hours, our members regularly participate in classes and drills to improve on their skills. We conducted CPR and First Aid classes for Oak Bluffs Firefighters, The Police Department and Community Services.

We created a mock motor vehicle crash with the Peer Leadership group at the High School, to help educate students on the dangers of drinking and driving, and the fatal consequences it can cause.

We also assisted the Fire Department in a Steamship Authority drill in October. The drill was created to prepare for trapped victims in a smoke filled steamship vessel, and the measures necessary to bring them to safety. It was a very successful event which brought many Island agencies together to test our resources.

Equipment and Maintenance:

Last year through funding from our Ambulance Reserve Fund, we began work on an Island Wide Computerized Emergency Response System. I am happy to report that the ambulance portion is up and running. This system has the ability to organize incidents statistics and increase revenue turnover by electronically transmitting our incident reports to our billing company. Its main function is an improvement in patient assessment by creating a data base of patient medical histories and previous records.

Together with Emergency Management, we received a grant from the Mass Department of Health for \$12,000 for the purchase of a Mass Casualty Incident (MCI) Trailer. This trailer will be outfitted with medical equipment necessary to handle a large scale emergency with up to 100 patients. Our department will maintain the trailer, but its use will be available to the entire Island.

In April we plan to obtain a Masimo Rad-57 Pulse CO-Oximeter. In addition to checking for adequate Oxygen levels in patients, this device will also be able to detect potentially life-threatening levels of Carbon Monoxide in the blood, which helps to eliminate the risk of misdiagnosing Carbon Monoxide poisoning for fatigue or the flu. We will also be able to assess Firefighters as part of our Fire Rehab procedures when they exit burning buildings.

In the near future we hope to purchase an Automatic Ventilator. Through our transport service, we regularly transfer critically ill patients who are unable to breathe on their own, to definitive care facilities on the mainland. The ventilator breathes for the patient delivering the highest percentage of Oxygen to the lungs, while also measuring the proper gas exchange in the body. I believe this is a vital and necessary piece of equipment.

In Closing:

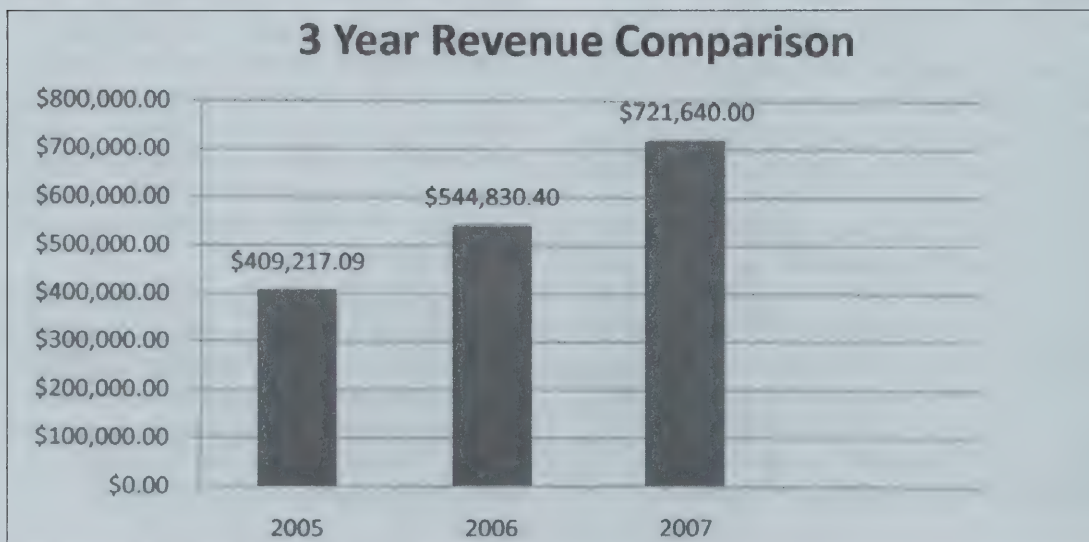
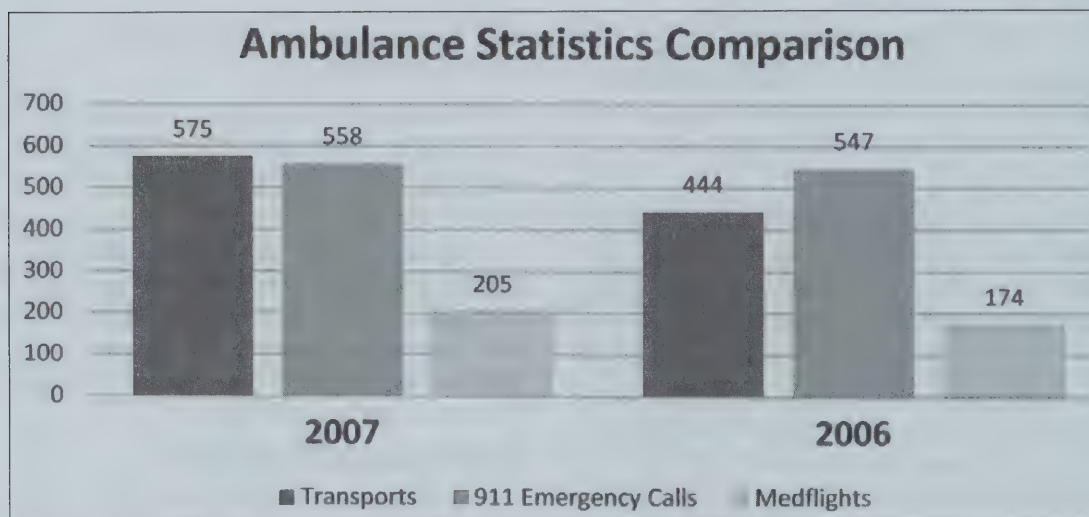
I would like to thank the many agencies we work so closely with throughout the year, including all Island Ambulance, Fire and Police Departments. To Chief Pete Forend, I am grateful for the immediate camaraderie we developed, and your leadership and professionalism is a welcomed asset to the Oak Bluffs Fire Department.

To each and every member of the Oak Bluffs Ambulance, I admire your selfless dedication and unwavering commitment to providing our community with unparalleled care. In a service where efforts so frequently go unrecognized, I stand here and applaud your practices..

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN R. ROSE,
Director of Emergency Services

The Oak Bluffs Ambulance Service responded to a total of 1,338 emergency and non-emergency calls this year. An increase of 173 calls from 2006.



EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Honorable Board of Selectmen and
Citizens of Oak Bluffs:

The good news is that we had no hurricanes this past season. The 2008 predictions are for 13 named storms, 7 hurricanes and 3 intense hurricanes. It is hoped that they stay well south of us. We will be upgrading our hurricane disaster plan this winter so we will be ready if a storm appears. Bird Flu has been spreading across the world very slowly and has not mutated directly from person to person. The Federal Government monitors bird flu very closely and keeps us informed as information becomes available. Flu Pandemic is still an issue and State and Federal agencies monitor this possibility and keep us informed on any new developments. Oak Bluffs has stockpiled equipment to protect our emergency crews in the event of a flu outbreak.

Oak Bluffs Emergency Services Handbook that was developed and distributed in 2006 has met with a great deal of support from the town residents. Presently, we are developing the 2008 handbook which will be ready in early spring with some changes.

I received a number of grants over the past year. \$5,000.00 from PetSmart in equipment to allow us to house pets in our hurricane shelter. \$10,000.00 from the Red Cross in equipment, 50 cots, blankets, pillows and other items for our shelter. \$25,000.00 from the Mass.

Department of Public Health to construct and supply a Mass Casualty Trailer unit. This will allow EMS to deal with a large disaster event with many victims anywhere on the island. \$3,000.00 from Mass Emergency Management in equipment to help supply the MCI trailer. We also have a \$50,000.00 grant pending to upgrade the radios in our command post. At our fire station we have the official backup radio system for 911.

Again I attended many off island table-top drills, port security meetings, seminars and meetings dealing with all aspects of emergency preparedness. The networking with the State and Federal agencies has provided us valuable knowledge on what is going on in the world.

Our Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) has been moving along slowly. This program recruits and trains residents to assist our emergency services departments during a disaster event. We can use more volunteers.

I wish to thank the Board of Selectmen, the public safety departments and other town departments for their continuing support in protecting the residents and their property.

Respectfully submitted,

PETER M. MARTELL
Director of Emergency Management

BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Honorable Board of Selectmen and
Citizens of Oak Bluffs:

The Building Department made great strides in upgrading and utilizing its computer tracking software in 2007. GeoTMS Program not only helps the department account for and analyze building patterns in Oak Bluffs, it also issues and tracks all permits and inspections for building, plumbing, and electrical as well as linking the Health Department, Conservation Commission and Fire Department with all permitting activities.

The Building Department welcomed James Dunn as the new Local Inspector for the Town. Retired Fire Chief Dennis Alley continues to serve the town as Inspector of smoke and carbon monoxide detectors.

The department will have an increasing oversight role next year in the construction of the new Hospital, YMCA, Wastewater's Primary Aquifer and the Bradley Square Affordable Housing Project. All department members are working hard to provide the general public with the best possible service, and contractors, builders and all tradesmen in understanding the New 7th Edition Building Code.

BUILDING PERMITS

ISSUED CALENDAR YEAR 2007

Commercial	12
Demolitions	9
Renovations, Additions	154
Accessory Buildings	35
New Single Multi Family Dwellings	16
Total Building Permits Issued	415

Value	\$27,32,990.00
Fees Collected:	\$250,075.80

Plumbing/Gas Inspections 2007:	444
Residential Electrical Inspections 2007:	402
Commercial Electrical Inspections 2007:	190

Respectfully submitted,

JERRY A. WIENER
Building Inspector

BOARD OF APPEALS DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING INSPECTION

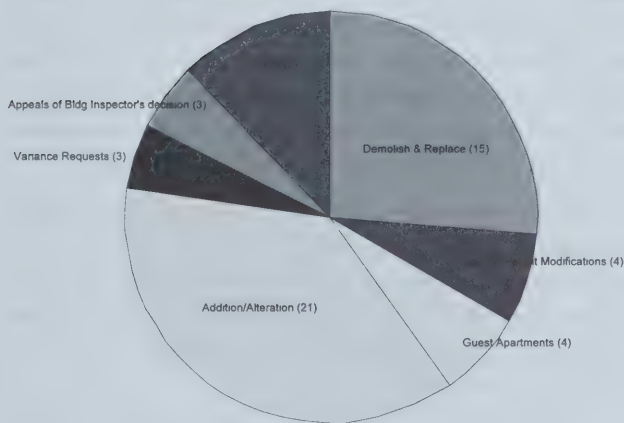
ZONING YEAR IN REVIEW

As Zoning Administrator, I have administrative oversight for the Board of Appeals, home based business certification and the Copeland Plan Review Committee. In all areas relating to specific by-laws, each review board has purview over applicants seeking special permits, certificates of conformance and certificates of appropriateness.

The Board of Appeals had 57 cases in 2007, ten more than what was heard in 2006. A majority of the applications presented to the Board dealt with the specific by-law allowing special permits for alterations, additions and demolish and replacement of pre-existing, nonconforming structures.

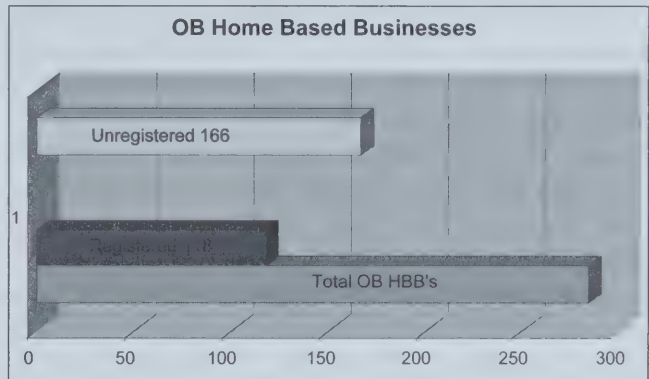
Below is a pie chart detailing the breakdown of the cases heard last year:

2007 Zoning Cases
Total (57)



Special permits, some with conditions, were granted for all applications requesting additions, alterations and residence replacement. One of the three variance requests was granted; all three appeals of the Building Inspector's decisions were denied by the Board; the special permits that needed to be modified were granted as well as the three of the four applications to build guest apartments. Other special permits given by the ZBA were for "over" height structures that included windmills, garages and the new hospital tower and extension of a zoning boundary by 20 feet.

Home Based Business registration and certification continued to progress in 2007. The Building Department sent out 284 letters in 2006 to homeowners who have filed business certificates with the Clerk's Office or advertise that they have a business from home. The letter stated that they needed to register their home based business under revised zoning by-laws. The following chart shows how compliance has been met.



Of the 118 registered businesses, 32 were given certificates of conformance by grandfathered right, 82 by right after an administrative review and 4 by special permit from the Board of Selectmen. Of the 166 home businesses that remain unregistered, 10 have responded to the initial inquiry and have demonstrated that their work does not reach the threshold to be considered "home based." The remaining 156 never responded to the letter requesting confirmation of having a business based out of their residence.

The Copeland Plan Committee revived itself in 2007 and took an active role in reviewing building applications for demolition and replacement of residential structures within its district. Seven meetings were held to determine relevance in the demolition of buildings within the Copeland Community and appropriateness of the proposed structures replacing them. The Committee hopes to continue to be a valuable resource in providing community review and making decisions regarding appropriate development within the Copeland District.

Respectfully submitted,

ADAM WILSON
Zoning Administrator

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Honorable Board of Selectmen
and Citizens of the Town of Oak Bluffs:

It is my pleasure to submit to you the annual report for 2007 for the the Oak Bluffs Highway Department.

The Highway Department is charged with construction, maintenance, upgrading and repair of Town streets and buildings, along with the collection and removal of garbage and snow removal when necessary.

The Department is run by Superintendent Richard Combra, Jr. with the assistance of Foreman Chris Gibson and Officer Administrator Nicole L. Morey. There are four year-round Heavy Motor Equipment Operators; they are Raymond Oliver, Willie Burney III, Michael Combra and Ken O'Connor. There are four year round laborers: Wm Scott Sanfilippo, Evan Rogers, June Ferreira at the LDO and Gail Landers, who divides her time between the Cemetery and the LDO. There is one year round full time custodian McKinley Starks and one year round part time Library custodian Ray Moreis, Jr. In the summer months, the department hires additional laborers and bathroom attendants.

Town streets and grounds

The Department maintains 38 miles of paved roads in Oak Bluffs, repaving and filling pot holes as needed. In 2007 there were two repaving projects; the first was Pacific Avenue where new catch basins were installed and the road repaved. The second was also installing new catch basins for drainage along County Road, re-aligning and repaving the bike path that runs along it from Barnes Road to Pennsylvania Avenue and repaving of the road from Barnes Road to Bellevue Avenue.

Dirt roads in Oak Bluffs are graded depending on their condition and whether materials and funds are available as most are not Town accepted roads. The Department also installs and maintains street, parking and traffic signs. The Oak Bluffs School grounds are maintained by the Highway Department; this includes mowing of playing fields, clearing snow, trimming shrubs and sweeping the parking areas.

Maintenance of Town streets includes sweeping Circuit Avenue daily during the summer months, plowing during heavy snow accumulation, clearing streets and bike paths of sand that accumulates on them over the winter. In spring and summer months, the Department trims vegetation along roadways as well as collecting roadside debris. After Thanksgiving we put up the festive lights and

the Christmas tree in Post Office Square Mall and take them down when season is over.

Construction and repair

The Department is responsible for repairing, maintaining and restoring Town buildings and public toilets. Unfortunately Town Carpenter Charlie Danielson resigned in October 2007 but before he left he put together a number of park benches, rebuilt the steps at the Inkwell Beach and Lagoon Pond, renovated part of the snack shack at the beach, replaced the roof at the info booth, fixed vents and windows at the Town Hall, built another dingy rack and repaired the Shellfish Department shed.

Rubbish collection and removal

The Department keeps one employee at the Town Local Drop-Off (LDO) year round, where residents can bring their trash, newspapers, cardboard, co-mingled recyclables and yard cuttings and leaves. We collect and dispose of solid waste from Town buildings, trash barrels placed throughout the downtown area, the dumpsters along the harbor for boaters and household barrels left at curbside. We run one rubbish truck year round with two employees and a second truck during the summer months because of additional load from seasonal residents.

We are also responsible with removing dead animals and other health hazards from Town roads. If you find a dead domestic animal in a public place, please call the Animal Control Officer. If it is a wild animal (squirrel, skunk, raccoon, etc.) please call the Highway Department office at 508-693-0072.

The Town of Oak Bluffs generated 1119.21 tons of solid waste during 2007 which is only a 1% increase over 2006, and we recycled the following:

Co-mingles129.63 tons (21% increase)
Newspapers113.99 tons (19% decrease)
Cardboard66.16 (2% increase)

The decrease in newspaper recycling is most likely due to the fact that we no longer accept unsold newspaper from the distributor.

Residents can obtain household garbage stickers at the LDO, the Board of Health office and various markets around Town. Vehicle stickers for access to the LDO can be purchased at the LDO only.

In 2007, household stickers and vehicle permits brought in a total of \$224,233.25.

Ongoing Maintenance of Town Facilities

Every year, the Highway Department hires seasonal workers to clean and maintain the public restrooms which are open from mid-April to early November. By next year the bathroom on Kennebec Avenue should be winterized and open year round. The Highway Department buys the supplies for cleaning and maintaining all Town buildings and pays for any repairs needed except for at the Oak Bluffs School.

Assisting Other Departments

The Highway Department arranges for the purchase of gasoline and diesel for all Town vehicles, which saves the Town money through bulk buying and allows us to keep track of each department’s use of fuel. The cost of diesel fuel has increased by \$1.00 per gallon from January 2007 to December 2007. We also manage and pay for repairs on Town vehicles, except for the Fire Department. We continue to assist the Park Department with cleanup after major Town events.

Revenues generated by this Department in 2007:

- Sale of Cemetery Lots:\$ 22,050.00
- Gas Revenue\$10,225.80
- Snow Removal Contracts (2)\$ 4,000.00
- Shower Tokens\$2,645.00
- Miscellaneous Revenue\$45.23

We would like to thank Jardin Mahoney for the Christmas tree, Crossland Landscape for the trees and lights along the Oak Bluffs Harbor, the Oak Bluffs Business Association and the Friends of Oak Bluffs for their support in our mutual undertakings to improve the Town of Oak Bluffs.

And I would like to thank all other Town departments for their cooperation and the employees of the Highway Department for their dedication and hard work.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD COMBRA, JR.
Highway Superintendent

WASTEWATER COMMISSION

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
and Citizens of Oak Bluffs:

First, for the record, our busiest day was August 10th with 225,856 gallons received. Our average for the summer period (June, July, and August) in 2007 was 156,466 gallons per day. Our average for the summer period (June, July, and August) in 2006 was 128,225 gallons per day.

The total gallons of wastewater treated during 2007 was approximately 29 million gallons, the total wastewater treated in 2006 was 23 million.

MONTH	GALLONS	TREATED
January	829,876	
February	801,852	
March		1,278,879
April		1,074,217
May		2,147,450
June		3,323,680
July	5,288,556	
August		5,782,633
September	3,515,216	
October	2,299,128	
November	1,409,040	
December	1,506,180	

The Dukes County Ave sewerage project is complete and the repaving of the road will be done in 2008.

We have begun construction on the primary clarifier and if the weather cooperates we should have it operational by the summer of 2008.

The Martha's Vineyard Hospital line was constructed and the facility is now tied into our plant. This has allowed the hospital to shut down and decommission the old treatment plant located at the hospital which discharged into Brush Pond and the Lagoon Pond.

The Martha's Vineyard Regional High School has been approved and funds should be appropriated at this year's Annual Town Meeting. This project will allow restrooms to be placed in a couple of new buildings at the high school, it will allow the new YMCA to tie in as well as some surrounding properties which currently discharge

into the Lagoon Pond Watershed. The plan is to accept this sewerage, treat it and discharge it back on the site of the high school. By doing this we will not be taking any leaching capacity away from the downtown area of Oak Bluffs.

We would like to ask everyone for their help in dealing with our major problem here at the treatment facility. This problem is disposing of grease. We ask everyone not to pour grease down the drain or into the toilet. Whether you are on the sewer system or not, please pour your grease into coffee cans and dispose of it with your trash. By doing this you will add many years of life onto your septic systems, and you will help alleviate operational and odor problems here at the treatment facility.

I must thank the staff here at the Facility. They are Lisa Merritt, Lab Technician & Administrator. Lisa is a State licensed grade 6 Wastewater Operator. It's great having Lisa back. She knows the job, she knows the plant. Jim Monteith, Mechanic/Operator. Jim is a State licensed grade 6 Wastewater Operator. Jim is our most senior operator and his knowledge about how the plant runs and what process changes will be needed as we enter different seasons is a key factor to the successful running of our department. Gary Jardin, our newest Jr. Operator Gary has been a great addition to our team, he's smart, energetic, and a self starter and rounds off what I consider too be one of the best departments in Oak Bluffs.

Ken O'Conner has transferred to the Highway Department and I thank him for his dedication while at the Wastewater Department and wish him the best of luck in his new position.

The Town in general, and me specifically are very fortunate to have the employees we do. It's a pleasure to work with them & they truly work in the best interests of the Town of Oak Bluffs.

Lastly I want to thank the residents of Oak Bluffs for all the support they have shown to the department over the past five years.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH N. ALOSSO,
Facilities Manager

RECREATION & NATURAL RESOURCES

SHELLFISH DEPARTMENT

Honorable Board of Selectmen and
Citizens of Oak Bluffs

Once again it is time, and my pleasure to report the accomplishments of this department this past year and expectations of the coming year. We have handled about 3.75 million juvenile shellfish this year and had excellent growth and survival through the summer.

This past year we lost the race and Sengekontacket Pond was reclassified by the Massachusetts Division of Marine Fisheries to a "Conditional Approved" status. This means we need to keep the pond closed to shellfishing between June 1 and September 30 each year until we can reduce the level of microbial contaminants in the water. This closure resulted in a greater desire to develop a comprehensive plan to protect, preserve and improve the water quality of the pond. Edgartown and Oak Bluffs have coordinating the efforts of towards getting the pond opened for shellfishing during the summer months.



Joe Peters assisted planting scallop seed

We have been collecting water quality data for several years and in 2004 successfully enrolled the pond into the Massachusetts Estuaries Project. We are expecting a draft report on Sengekontacket in mid-2008. This report will determine the nitrogen loading limit the pond can sustain and detail the flushing and internal circulation patterns.

With the assistance of the Edgartown Dredge Committee's administrator the towns now jointly hold ten year dredge maintenance permits for previously permitted dredge project in and around the pond. The last required permit was issued in early August. With the permit in hand

we were able to remove sand from the Little Bridge inlet in September and provide beach nourishment to badly eroded beaches in town.



Collecting water samples

This past season we had the opportunity to share interns from the Great Pond Foundation in exchange for lending them some of our equipment. This was a wonderful and successful venture as it helped us immensely to get our field gear out and kept us on pace doing the field work on schedule.

The US EPA Atlantic Ecology Division continued their work in Lagoon Pond collecting data to build a computer model to aid in bay scallop and eelgrass restoration efforts.



Steamer clams ready to plant

This upcoming year will see an additional EPA project also in Lagoon Pond. We will be using an AUV (Automated Underwater Vehicle), side scan sonar, and

sediment profile cameras as well as scuba divers to classify and map the soil types of the bottom of pond. This is cutting edge science in the field of estuarine resource management and promises to aid us in making the best decisions for the pond and its resources. There is more and more information that points to sediment grain sizes being very important to eelgrass restoration efforts as well as habitat for the shellfish.



Deputy Danielle Ewart

With funding from the (CPA) Community Preservation Act we purchased a very precise global positional system and the computer software required. This new technology allows us to make detailed maps of our ponds, wetlands to track changes in these habitats.

We have the opportunity to assist Dr. Mary Carmen of the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institute (WHOI) in her investigations of the detrimental effects of invasive tunicates (sea squirts) and convinced her to use Lagoon Pond as one of her primary study sites. The increasing populations of invasive tunicates can be very detrimental to the fragile ecosystems of our ponds and adds labor costs when trap fishing or culturing shellfish in cages as they like to set on harder objects like traps and cages or shellfish. The work we did in Lagoon Pond was presented at an international conference on invasive species. Dr. Carmen has asked us to take a bigger role in this research during the upcoming season.

The Shellfish Department assisted David Delaney of McGill University in his research on larval drift patterns by releasing bright yellow drift cards at specified times. Mr. Delaney is hoping his research will be helpful in responding to invasive species threats and responses.

During the past year we have experienced a ground swell of public support from residents within the Farm Pond watershed for our on going restoration efforts of the pond. We continue to work with Massachusetts Coastal Zone Management on this project. The coming year will see more detailed mapping of the wetland and invasive vegetation around the pond. We will hopefully be in a good position to look for both design and implementation funding for a solution to achieve our goal of obtaining

improve water quality and the approval of some shellfishing in 1984. There is now a website to get more detailed information on this effort <http://friendsoffarmpond.net>

Working with Mass Audubon Felix neck and the MV Public Charter School, on Halloween, students came into Oak Bluffs and spray painted near many of our storm water inlet grates reminding us all that what enters these drains end up in our harbor. The students chose two messages "Don't Pollute Fish are Cute" and "Small Drains Can Cause Big Problems".



Rescued gray seal

This department continues to respond on the behalf of the New England Aquarium to reports of stranded marine mammals and sea turtles. For the past few years the aquarium has held annual training classes and additional people on the island have been trained to respond. With the larger pool of volunteers we have been responding to fewer reports. However, we are in custody of rescue equipment needed and still respond to any rescue attempt island wide.



Leatherback turtle

This past spring we conducted our annual quahog relay and with the help of the Highway Department we brought 600 bushels of quahogs to the island and planted them in Sengekontacket Pond according to the rotational sequence that has occurred for several years. With Sengekontacket's change of status we are modifying parts of our management scheme. We anticipate creating

rotational areas in Lagoon Pond to duplicate the success we have experienced in Sengekontacket Pond.



Volunteers during the quahog relay

I continue to serve on numerous boards and committees on behalf of the Town including – Martha's Vineyard Shellfish Group (treasurer), Drawbridge Replacement Committee, Sengekontacket Bridge Replacement Committee, Liaison to the Cape Wind federal permitting, Southeastern Massachusetts Aquaculture Center, MV Environmental Education, MV Water Alliance, MVC's Island Plan Water Core Group, Technical Advisory Board of Friends of Sengekontacket, and Barrier Beach Task Force.



Intern checking scallop seed in bag

As Shellfish Constable I have been privileged to be invited to speak to several organizations and explain at



Highway Department assisted in annual quahog relay program

least part of this department's responsibilities. We have also worked with MVTV in developing educational shows about the shellfish and the work ongoing with shellfish around the Island.

I wish to thank my dedicated hard working staff, the Great Pond Foundation and their interns, all the volunteers that have assisted whenever asked, and all the town departments we have worked with.

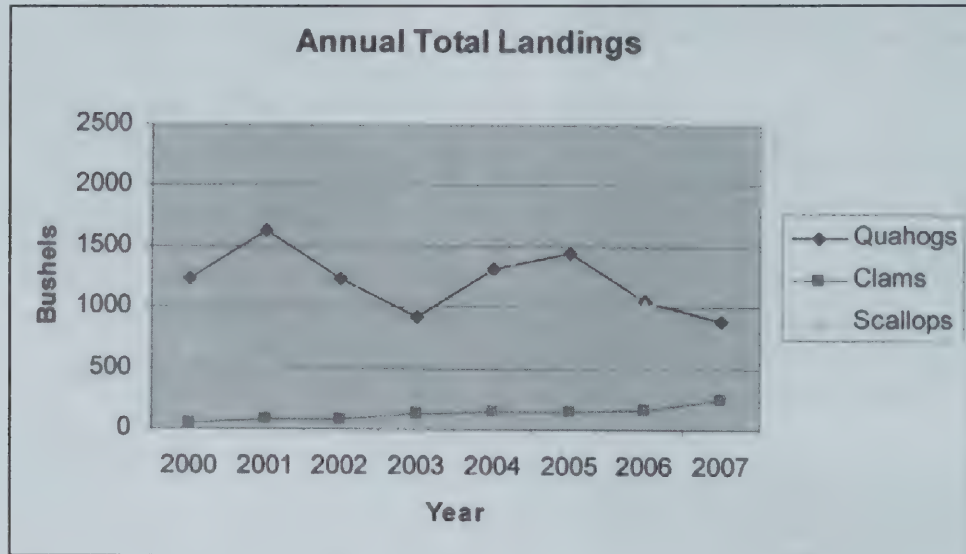
Respectfully submitted,

DAVID W. GRUNDEN
Shellfish Constable



Shellfish Licenses issued in 2007

Type of License	Number Sold	Price/License	Total Revenue
Residential (family) Recreational	256	@ \$ 35.00	\$8,960.00
Non-Resident (family) Recreational	5	@ \$200.00	1,000.00
Senior Recreational	325	@ 0.00	0.00
One Week Recreational	56	@ \$ 25.00	1,400.00
Two Week Recreational	4	@ \$ 50.00	200.00
Commercial	14	@ \$300.00	4,200.00
Totals	696		\$16,660.00



Total 2007 landings by species (reported in bushels):

Quahogs	892
Steamer Clams	249.5
Bay Scallops	1,118

More detailed catch report information is available upon request.

MARTHA'S VINEYARD SHELLFISH GROUP

To the Honorable Boards of Selectmen:

A recent federal report states that over 70% of the seafood consumed in the US is imported. How very lucky we are on Martha's Vineyard to still have substantial beds of clean, safe and healthful shellfish! Our world-class quality shellfish are truly a blessing. We need to be aware of that fact and not take this unique natural resource for granted. Our shellfish can remain a prized sustainable resource for years to come, but only if we want them to be.

With funding from the six Island towns, private donations, and grant moneys from the Massachusetts Department of Agricultural Resources, the Northeastern Regional Aquaculture Center, NOAA Sea Grant, the Martha's Vineyard Permanent Endowment Fund, the Philip Evans Scholarship Foundation and the Menemsha Fisheries Development Fund, the Martha's Vineyard Shellfish Group, Inc. continued its program to promote the well being of the Island's shellfish and the clean water they require. Highlights of our 2007 program follow:

Solar Shellfish Hatchery - In the 2007 culture season, we produced and distributed to the towns 5 million seed quahogs and over 13.5 million seed scallops. The oyster population in Tisbury Great Pond was enhanced through the seeding of 250,000 seed oysters, and nearly 3 million remote-set eyed oyster larvae. Edgartown Great Pond was seeded with 250,000 seed oysters.

Support of Island Oyster Farmers – We continue to encourage, support and promote shellfish aquaculture as an ideal "green" industry for Martha's Vineyard. "Island Cultured Oysters" are a continuing success story. Demand for these quality, locally-raised oysters remains high. More Island fishers are giving oyster farming a try. Our investigations with triploid bay scallops and offshore mussel culture may soon provide additional shellfish "crops" for Vineyard shellfish growers and more local seafood for Vineyard consumers.

Triploid Shellfish - With funding from the Massachusetts Department of Agricultural Resources, we continued our cutting edge research with sterile triploid scallops. Triploidy, a technology widely used in the production of seedless fruits and vegetables, imparts sterility and faster growth that promises to make possible the farm production of market-size bay scallops in one year. We have just received word that we will be awarded a multiple year grant from the US Department of Agriculture to continue the work.

Offshore Mussel Culture Initiative - With funding from the Massachusetts Department of Agricultural Resources,

the MV Permanent Endowment Fund and the Menemsha Fisheries Development Fund, we are spearheading a project to determine the potential for farm raised Martha's Vineyard mussels. Working with Island fishers, we are conducting experiments to see if a successful submerged long-line methodology developed at the University of New Hampshire can be used to grow mussels in the offshore waters of the Vineyard. Initial results are very promising. We are beginning the lease process that hopefully will provide employment opportunities for Vineyard fishers producing Martha's Vineyard Cultured Mussels!

Oyster Disease Investigations - Several oyster diseases continue to deplete both wild and cultured shellfish. This year in a cooperative effort with the Woods Hole Marine Biological Laboratory and Rutgers University, we completed two investigations of disease resistant oyster strains in Katama Bay and Edgartown Great Pond. One investigation has proved the disease resistance of a strain of Edgartown Great Pond oysters. These resistant oysters are being used as broodstock in our hatchery to produce seed for stocking in Island great ponds

Invasive Sea Squirt Investigations - Imported exotic pest organisms are an increasing threat to our shellfish and their habitats. With funding from the National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration, we assisted Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution scientists with an experiment to determine the impacts of a new invasive sea squirt species on the settlement of bay scallop larvae

Outreach - In an effort to better educate the community about our program and recommendations for protecting our shellfish resources, we commissioned the production of a DVD about the Island's scallop fishery that is broadcast on MVTv. We also post reports of our work on our website, www.mvshellfishgroup.org.

Think Locally and Act Globally - I continue to serve as Co-Chair of the Southeastern Massachusetts Aquaculture Center, on the Industry Subcommittee of the National Shellfisheries Association and on the governing boards of the Massachusetts Aquaculture Association, East Coast Shellfish Growers Association, the Lagoon Pond Association and Slow Food MV. I also serve on the advisory boards of the Friends of Sengekontacket and the Squibnocket District Advisory Committee and am an active member of the MV Water Alliance.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD C. KARNEY
Shellfish Biologist/Director

SEED SHELLFISH DISTRIBUTED IN 2007

	<u>TOWN</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Quahogs	Aquinnah*	100,000
	Chilmark	1,273,000
	Edgartown	1,273,000
	Oak Bluffs	1,273,000
	Tisbury	<u>1,273,000</u>
	Total Quahog Seed	5,192,000
Scallops	<u>Seed On Burlap (estimated)</u>	<u>Fertilized eggs</u>
	Aquinnah*	1,500,000
	Chilmark	3,000,000
	Edgartown	3,000,000
	Oak Bluffs	3,000,000
	Tisbury	3,000,000
	Wampanoag Tribe**	<u>200,000</u>
	Total Scallop Seed & Eggs	13,700,000
		65,000,000 ***
Oyster Larvae (disease-resistant)		
Chilmark & West Tisbury (Released in Tisbury Great Pond)		
	5 Day old larvae	3,315,000
	7 Day old larvae	1,000,000
	9 Day old larvae	520,000
	11 Day old larvae	490,000
	13 Day old larvae	790,000
	15 Day old larvae	1,440,000
	West Tisbury (Remote Setting System)	
	Eyed setting larvae	<u>2,935,00</u>
	Total Oyster Larvae	10,490,000
Single Oyster Seed (disease-resistant)		
	Edgartown***	250,000
	West Tisbury	124,000
	Chilmark	100,000
	Marine Biological Lab**	18,000
	Barnstable County**	<u>55,000</u>
	Total Single Oysters	547,000

*Membership began on 7/1/07 (Some seed produced prior to 7/1 supplied under state funding)

**Supplied under contract

*** Produced with Edgartown-funded personnel

HARBORMASTER/MARINA

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
and Citizens of Oak Bluffs:

The following is the report for the 2007 season at Oak Bluffs Marina which officially ended on Tuesday, October 9th. Cruise ship visits continued to November 2nd.

As always, the objective of this report is to assess the performance of the Marina in its latest season, and to identify goals for the organization in the coming year.

Current Year Financial Results – The Marina has posted its eighth consecutive year of record income. As of 11/2/07, gross revenue was **\$957,426.00**. This \$50,000 over the prior year. This increase was not completely unexpected due to the fair weather we experienced this past spring and fall.

The cruise ship visits were again a success bringing the Town an additional **\$34,000**.

This is up from last year owing to the fact that we didn't lose any ships due to bad weather. By looking at patterns over past years at the Marina, what seems to be evident is when we experience good boating weather, meaning fair winds and little rain, revenue will remain constant and increase as rates go up. Although fear of recession and the ever increasing fuel costs may likely affect us in the upcoming season, it seems that weather for now remains the deciding factor with our visitors. We presently have seven cruise ships scheduled for next fall. Hopefully we will add a few more keeping with the average of twelve per season.

We have finally finished the new bulkhead and sea wall project after seven years of active planning. We received a grant from the State for half of the two million dollar project. The new bulkhead and shore side improvements including new lighting and sidewalks will finally complete what is now a beautiful pedestrian walkway starting by "Our Market" and continuing all the way past inkwell beach.

I would like to thank Kerry Scott and Mike Dutton for their help and input with the new bulkhead and surrounding area. Their ideas and concern for the project will result in a much improved finished product.

Oak Bluffs Marina Goals for 2008 Season and Beyond – In order to maintain and build the Marina as a

reliable revenue source for the Town, planning must be made several years ahead at any time. In addition to renting slips and moorings, and operating the launch, Oak Bluffs harbor sees considerable traffic from passenger ferries, is host to several charter boats, and as we all know has attracted significant cruise-ship business.

Target Areas

- Extend the jetty and add a dog leg blocking the northeast swell from entering the harbor. This would provide our customers and residents full protection under all conditions.
- The Town should look into operating their own fuel pier complete with shore side pump out for holding tanks and water service.

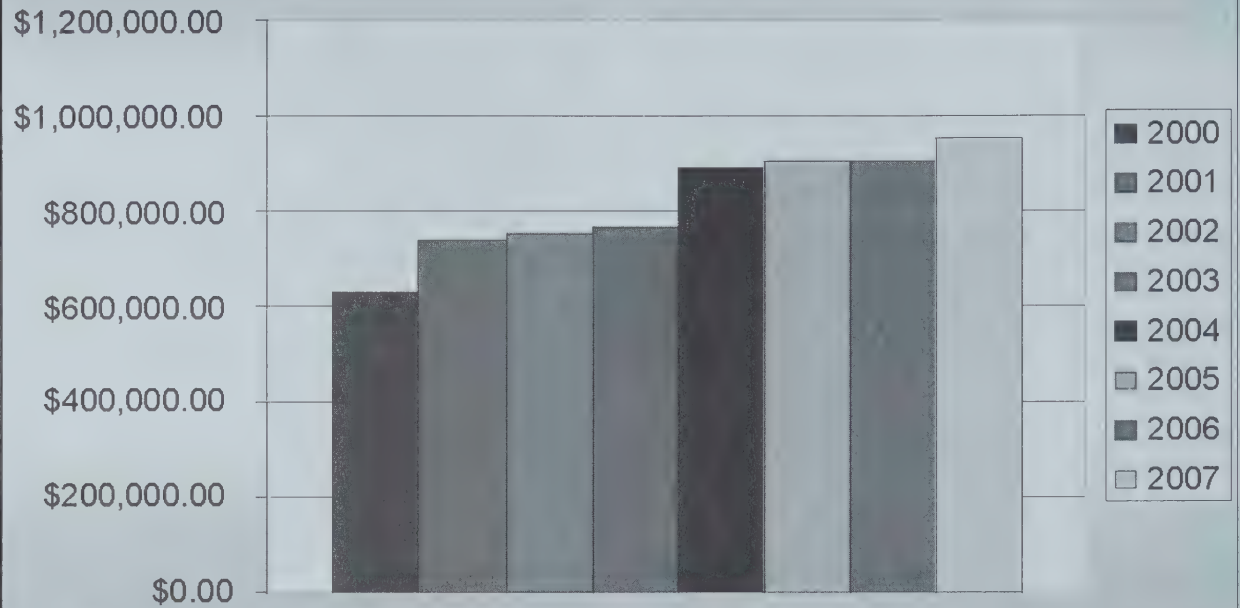
I would again like to thank my staff for their professionalism and courtesy when interacting with our customers. Oak Bluffs Harbor has become the most popular and financially successful harbor on the Island and this is greatly due to their efforts. I would also again like to thank Rich Combra and his staff at the Highway Dept. and Chief Blake and the officers of the Police Dept. for all their help throughout the summer. They are always ready and willing to respond whenever they are needed. Thanks also should go out to George Fisher and Peter Martell for their continued efforts running the Cruise Ship Security Station. The Harbor Management Committee also deserves thanks for all their experienced input and support of me and the Harbor.

Summary- Off-season planning, strategic investment in the harbor infrastructure and personnel, and hard work by Marina staff and Town officials has again resulted in a record season for our harbor. I have been pleased to see continued support from the Selectmen and Town's people on many of the projects and initiatives we have begun over the past few years. I think the benefits of this support continue to be evident with each record breaking season.

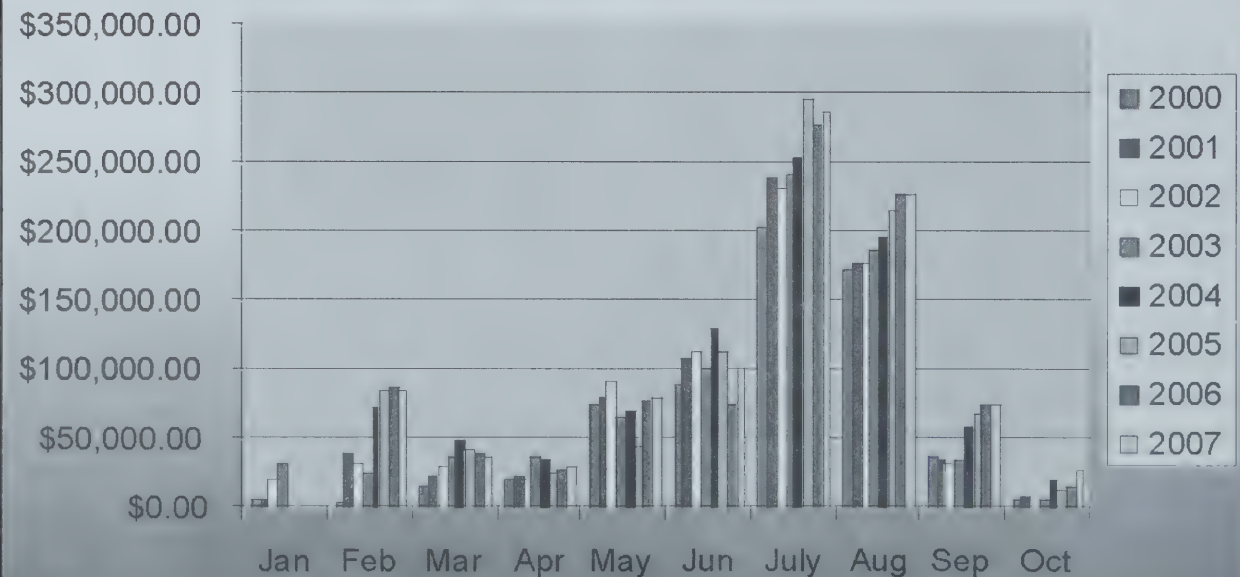
Respectfully submitted,

TODD ALEXANDER
Harbormaster

Yearly Revenue Comparison



Monthly Revenue Comparison



CONSERVATION COMMISSION

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
and Citizens of Oak Bluffs:

Sand and water stand out as the big ticket issues in 2007, a year in which the term climate change began to take on real meaning. According to the US Geological Survey, the Vineyard is an area of “high sea level rise vulnerability.”

One house on the lower end of East Chop Drive was raised onto pilings to protect it from sand erosion, the increasing frequency of major storm events, and sea level rise. Another house is planning to add more sand to the beachfront for the same reasons. Supplying sand to the town beaches is a challenge too, as erosion increases and the amount of available sand decreases.

Wetlands Protection

Recognizing that administering and interpreting the wetlands regulations includes not only the acknowledged aim of protection of water supply, wildlife and open space, but also the protection of existing property values and the preservation of our quality of life, the Commission has been proactive in many areas.

2007 accomplishment include:

- Drafting new flood zone regulations
- Engineered survey of seawall stability and beach sand modeling
- Pre-disaster mitigation planning
- Developed large scale landscape and drainage plan for MV Hospital grounds as part of the new hospital construction
- Implemented new pier regulations to better protect pond water quality and shellfish habitat
- WHOI workshop – The Future of MA Beaches: Relocate, Nourish, or Lose them: A workshop on Beach Nourishment
- Association of MA Wetlands Scientists workshop ñ Climate Change in New England: Projections and Policy
- Climate Change Course - Northwest Earth Institute
- Cape & Islands Conservation Commission workshop on alternative septic systems
- Annual Conference ñ Massachusetts Association of Conservation Commissions
- Work with Shellfish Constable to protect and improve water quality and shellfish habitat in Town ponds
- Administer and enforce Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act and Oak Bluffs Wetlands Bylaw –

2007 was the busiest year on record for wetlands protection permitting. The majority of filings were for vegetation management, teardowns and rebuilds, and renovations. Many structures that were located in the flood zone were required to be elevated above the projected flood elevation.

Environmental Education

- Articles in Vineyard Gazette ñ environmental protection
- One on one interaction with permit applicants
- General public education on beach renourishment and coastal processes
- Conservation Commissioners and Conservation Agent are active members of:

Martha’s Vineyard Water Alliance

Barrier Beach Task Force

Friends of Sengekontacket

East Chop Association

Martha’s Vineyard Commission

County Commission Community

Preservation Committee

Harbor Advisory Committee

Drawbridge Committee

Land Bank Advisory Bd.

Eastville Point Beach committee

Library Bd. Trustees

Cape & Islands Conservation Commission Network

County Charter Study Committee

Open space planning, acquisition and management

The Sailing Camp Park is 15+ acres of Town-owned open space property on Lagoon Pond. The park and beach are open to the public and the mainstay building, in addition to being rented to the public for weddings and parties, is used in summer by the Children’s Theatre Program, the Vineyard Haven Band, and Sail Martha’s Vineyard. For information contact the park manager at 508-693-6777 or www.ci.oak-bluffs.ma.us

In addition, Town funding has been secured to renovate the commercial kitchen and bring it up to current health codes.

Permitting

If you are planning to remove, fill, dredge or alter any land on or near a salt marsh, bank, beach dune, or in a flood zone you’ll need a permit. Call the office at 508-69-3554 x118.

Thank you to John Boardman for his many years of commitment to environmental protection.

Respectfully submitted,

JOAN HUGHES, Chairman
BOB FORD, Vice Chairman

PAUL STRAUSS
JOHN BRECKENRIDGE
CALEB NICHOLSON
JOHN BOARDMAN, resigned

LIZ DURKEE, Conservation Agent
CHUCK DOWNING, Sailing Camp Park Manager



This house on East Chop Drive has been raised above the established flood zone to protect it from erosion, storms and flooding, and sea level rise.

PARK COMMISSIONERS

Honorable Board of Selectmen and
Citizens of the Town of Oak Bluffs:

It is our pleasure to submit the annual report of the Oak Bluffs Park and Recreation Department.

The Department is managed by the Parks Commissioners with the physical labor being performed by Parks Foreman James Tripp and the paperwork and inquiries being handled by Office Administrator Nicole L. Morey.

In April 2007 at the Town meeting it was voted to use Community Preservation Act funds to renovate and purchase equipment for the Town beach. The snack shack was renovated by the Town Carpenter with volunteers assisting with the shingling, new tables and umbrellas were purchased and installed as well as new toilets and shower. The Boardwalk to Beach Task Force continues in its endeavor to secure funds to improve Oak Bluffs beach front with new railings and lighting.

Hartford Park irrigation was completed and a regular mowing schedule is now required.

The majority of the work is done in the warmer months, when the plant life is flourishing and large number of residents and visitors want to make use of Town parks. In those months, the foreman is assisted by summer laborers and seasonal specialists.

Regular maintenance

All of the parks must be cleaned every day during the warmer months and the accumulated trash removed. The job is made easier and parks kept cleaner by residents and visitors who deposit their waste in the trash barrels provided.

The Parks Department welcomes events that take advantage of Oak Bluffs' outdoor resources, such as the annual fireworks display, Illumination Night, Tivoli Day, the bi-weekly band concerts in Ocean Park, and the Monster Shark Tournament. We are happy to assist with preparations and provide special clean-up efforts in which the regular summer staff is supplemented by workers from the Highway Department.

Special events such as weddings may also be held at the Bandstand in Ocean Park, at East Chop Lighthouse or any other Town park; applications are available through the

Town's website (www.ci.oak-bluffs.ma.us) which then must be submitted and approved by the Commissioners.

In 2007 permission was granted to Oak Bluffs Police Department to hold their now annual Public Safety Day in Dennis P. Alley Park, the Festival Network to hold a Boston Pops concert in Ocean Park, the Edgartown School to have Circus Smirkus, the Oak Bluffs Council on Aging flea market as well as the Firemen's Muster in Dennis P. Alley Park.

Special recreation facilities and opportunities

The Parks Department has primary responsibility for the care of the Town beaches. The beach is staffed with 9-10 life guards from mid-June to Labor Day. Many camp groups use the beach and often bring their own lifeguards with them.

The Niantic Park tennis courts are managed by attendants from late June to late August with sign-up system. In the off season, Town residents may purchase a key for \$50.00 from the office located at the Robert E. Rose Town Garage at 347 County Road.

The Skate Park is used throughout the year weather permitting and rubbish is collected on a regular basis. Due to its popularity there is beginning to show some definite wear and tear on the facility. The Commissioners would like to remind users that they should wear helmets for their own safety and transportation should be available in case of injury.

Michael Joyce was again our summer Recreational Director. A summer basketball program is offered each year in three week sessions for youths ranging in age 8 to 16 years old. Both a men's and women's basketball league was offered in summer 2007. We hope to offer swimming lessons in 2008 if the required personnel can be hired. Sign up for these programs occurs in late June of every year at Niantic Park.

We would also like to thank the Highway Department personnel for their assistance throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD COMBRA, JR
ALLAN A. DEBETTENCOURT
MICHAEL MARCHAND

EDUCATION

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

David Rossi, Chairperson
Martha's Vineyard Superintendency
Union #19 School Committee

Dear Mr. Rossi:

In accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, I am very pleased to submit my third annual report as the Superintendent of Schools to you and to the individual members of the six school committees of the Martha's Vineyard Public Schools (MVPS). It continues to be my distinct pleasure to serve as Superintendent for the schools on this wonderful Island.

Overall student enrollment on the Island continued to decline with some exceptions. Using the official October 1st enrollments, the High School showed the biggest decline, falling from slightly over 800 to just 766. The Tisbury School dropped below the 300 mark for the first time in many years with an October 1st enrollment of 297. The smallest school on the Island – the Chilmark School – dropped to below 50 students with an October 1st enrollment of just 42. The Oak Bluffs School dropped slightly as well with an enrollment of 405. Edgartown grew very slightly from 323 to 327, and the West Tisbury School grew by ten to 283. The school districts utilize the New England School Development Council (NESDEC) to look ahead, and we expect the overall decline to continue through 2012 based upon the Council's projections.

The All-Island School Committee (AISC) devoted a great deal of its meeting time to helping me develop several very important goals for the upcoming school year. These goals focus upon three board areas. First, the AISC asked that I devote time and effort to curriculum especially in the areas of writing and mathematics. Second, it was the wish of the AISC that I work to improve our personnel practices, supporting our new administrators, finding ways to secure and retain outstanding educators, and handling personnel matters in a more consistent fashion. Finally, the Committee wanted me to focus a great deal of my energy on the issue of collaboration and regionalization, finding ways to improve our schools and save money by working together. All of these initiatives are well on their way; however, there are some challenging tasks among them.

Again this year, a large portion of our time and energy was devoted to the development of the Superintendent's Shared Services budget, which proved to be even more challenging than usual. The majority of this budget funds

the personnel costs that are associated with the numerous staff members who provide services to students across the Island – special education teachers, speech and language therapists, school psychologists and other service providers. It also funds the management staff needed to run our multi-district school system, paying over 600 employees, operating an overall budget in the \$30 million range and coordinating the educational experiences of over 2100 students. As we approached the FY09 budget, I proposed two new special education programs at the elementary level that were driven by additional children requiring service. I also included in the budget the position of facilities manager to better maintain our 614,000 square feet of building and to allow our building principals to focus their energies on educational matters. While the special education programs were well received, the facilities initiative was somewhat problematic. I continue to believe that we need to manage our facilities in a more professional manner if we are to keep our students in safe, well-functioning buildings that allow them to learn and grow properly.

Developing the budgets for the five local school districts was considerably more difficult this year due to specific local issues and to the recently negotiated master contracts for all of our five bargaining units. In an effort to appropriately compensate our staff, most of the bargaining units were afforded an appropriate cost-of-living increase as well as an additional step for those at the top of the salary schedule. This did push the portion of the overall budget devoted to personnel costs up more than we might have liked. At the High School, the decline in enrollment began to have an impact as Principal Margaret "Peg" Regan sought to reduce staff to reflect this decline. Anytime you reduce staff, there is always a healthy discussion, and this year was no exception. The elementary districts likewise sought to keep personnel cost growth in check while not denigrating the wonderful programs we offer. Each district sought creative ways to manage this issue, and I believe the voters of our Island will hopefully support these efforts at the annual town meetings.

This year we were faced with a unique challenge regarding the administrators across our schools. First with the retirement of Assistant Superintendent Marge Harris, we had a significant leadership position to fill at the central office. After a lengthy search process, long-time High School teacher Laurie Halt was selected to fill Marge's

shoes. Next, West Tisbury Principal Michael Halt was called up for deployment to Iraq. In Mike's absence, we were extremely fortunate to have two retired administrators fill in – first Ed Jerome and then Dan McCarthy. While these elder statesmen did an outstanding job for the students at West Tis, everyone in the Up-Island community was relieved to have Michael safely back at the helm earlier than expected. It was truly a beautiful day when the entire school welcomed Lt. Colonel Halt back to the Island. After a lengthy search process, the Edgartown School was fortunate to select a new principal – John Stevens. Mr. Stevens is an Island native who has spent many years as a principal in Florida and returned to take the reins of his alma mater. At the Tisbury School, Principal Maureen DeLoach announced that the 2007-08 school year would be her last and urged the School Committee to develop a transition plan. After a brief search process, Assistant Principal Richard Smith was appointed principal effective in September 2007. Maureen will serve as the school's assistant principal and curriculum coordinator for 2007-08 and then will retire. Oak Bluffs Principal Laurie Binney was granted a one-year leave for the 2007-08 school year. He and his wife decided to spend much of that year in Brazil learning about the Portuguese language and the culture of the students who attend Island schools from that South American country. In his absence, Assistant Principal Carlin Hart assumed the top leadership position assisted by teacher and acting assistant principal Gina Patti. Finally, High School Principal Margaret "Peg" Regan announced that the 2007-08 school year would be her last. Peg has capably managed the difficult job of high school principal for nine years, and she deserves an opportunity to spread her wings in other places and in other ways. The entire Island education community thanks her for her outstanding service and wishes her well in the next phase of her educational career.

During this year, we continued one very important curriculum initiative and began one new one. Teachers across the Island continued to work with students at all levels to improve the quality of their written communication. They also worked with Assistant Superintendent Laurie Halt to review and revise the writing sample that has been used at all schools over the past few years. New this year was an emphasis at the elementary level on "raising the bar" in the instruction of mathematics. While much of this effort was based upon the results of the MCAS testing over the past two years, it was also the result of a nation-wide refocusing on the teaching of higher level mathematics skills at earlier and earlier grade levels. To push this effort, we began a new grade eight algebra program. Students from all elementary schools came together four times each week to take an honors level algebra class taught by Oak Bluffs mathematics educator Eve Heyman. It is hoped that this new program will be a catalyst for significant changes in our mathematics instruction in all grades, kindergarten through 12.

The Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System (MCAS) results for the MVPS showed continued growth in all areas; however, as the goals for these tests continue to rise, we can expect to see more and more local schools fail to make adequate yearly progress (AYP), mirroring the rest of the Commonwealth. Students at the West Tisbury and Oak Bluffs Schools failed to make AYP for the first time this year in English/language arts, while the students at Edgartown managed to reverse their decline in mathematics and progress sufficiently to make AYP in that subject. Based upon the work of Assistant Superintendent Laurie Halt, each school spent a great deal of its professional development time analyzing these results and developing plans to address areas of need. Complete school-by-school results and the resulting analysis can be found on the Superintendent's webpage under Curriculum and Instruction.

This year was marred by the conflict that developed across the Island over the manner in which we assess high school costs to the local towns. For as many years as anyone can remember, these costs were assessed using a formula based upon student enrollment. The more students a town had at the High School, the more it paid. Because of changes at the State-level, we were forced to consider the use of a new formula unless we could get unanimous agreement to continue our time-honored method. This new approach called "the Statutory Formula" is based upon student enrollment and equalized wealth, and its implementation shifted the burden of school costs among the six towns on the Vineyard causing a rift that will not easily be remedied. Additionally, the Department of Education's inability to adequately explain this new approach to the political leaders of the Island has caused old feelings of mistrust to become a significant impediment to all efforts at reaching a compromise.

In closing, I would like to extend my sincere best wishes to the lone member of our school community who will be retiring over the next months. Oak Bluffs School will bid farewell to one of its reading teachers – Alexandra "Lex" Mercier – who has served the students of that school since 1996.

In my almost three years of service to the Martha's Vineyard Public Schools, I have come to appreciate what a special place the Vineyard truly is. Our 2100 students are fortunate to have such a supportive community with dedicated and hard-working teachers, tireless school committee members, and parents who willingly give of themselves. While not every task I do is filled with joy and happiness, I come to work each day knowing that together we can continue to give our students a future of which we can all be proud.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES H. WEISS, EdD
Superintendent of Schools

HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

James Weiss, Ed. D.
Superintendent of Schools
RR2, Box 261
Vineyard Haven, MA 02568

Dear Dr. Weiss:

It is my pleasure to provide this annual report to you regarding the state of Martha's Vineyard Regional High School. As the high school enrollment declines to 765 students this year, we have continued to offer excellent programs in both the core and elective classes.

Our program of studies includes classes for students in every discipline from fine arts to vocational courses. Our mission includes both academic as well as civic and social expectations; therefore, for the first time this year, students and teachers meet in an advisory period every second Wednesday of the month. These vital meetings in small groups have allowed administrators, counselors, teachers and students to conduct mutual conversations on subjects ranging from study skills to planning for the future. The students in these advisories also provide a strong sounding board for improving the school culture.

MVRHS has once again met its Annual Yearly Progress Report for the state in both English/Language Arts and mathematics. This year we will add a biology MCAS that will be a requirement for graduation. Next year, students will need to pass a test in United States history as well.

As the requirements for students to graduate increase, we are committed to all our extracurricular activities as well. The amazingly athletic program which includes more than two-thirds of our students in fall, winter and spring sports, the remarkable drama program including an annual musical and a competitive piece in the spring, the Minnesingers, the clubs and other activities – all provide school programs for students from 7:30 a.m. until 10 p.m. at night. Involved students stay in school.

Our dropout rate declined to 1%, a phenomenally low number for any high school in the Commonwealth. We credit our students, families and staff with a strong collaboration between school and home for this phenomenon.

Our school-wide achievements include ten graduating seniors who attended full-time Art, Design and Media

related colleges and universities last year. The Visual Arts Dept was involved in a number of community events this past year including student exhibitions at The Featherstone Gallery in Oak Bluffs, Mocha Motts & The Steamship Authority in Vineyard Haven and The Old Sculpin Gallery in Edgartown. Nine out of twelve students nominated received awards from "The Boston Globe" Scholastic Art Awards, the most our school has ever received in one year. Art Department Chair Paul Brissette received a Fulbright-Hays Summer Seminar Fellowship to Brazil. Students in the Performing Arts Department excelled in both music and drama. Several singers and instrumentalists auditioned for and were chosen to participate in the All-Cape and Islands, MMEA Southeast Junior, and MMEA Southeast Senior Festivals, presenting impressive concerts with students from other schools. The drama students, in addition to amazing performances of "Shepard's Pie" and the musical "Camelot," wrote with Kate Murray an original play, 'Boxes' which they took all the way to the finals of the Massachusetts High School Drama Guild Festival. This was the high school's first entry in the Festival in over 13 years.

Parent partnerships in the School Advisory Council and the PTSA coffees twice a month help us succeed in fulfilling our mission as well. Through these dialogues of issues of concerns, families can have a positive impact on the school climate.

Finally, the towns themselves, by providing the funding and resources necessary to run such a comprehensive school have allowed MVRHS to rank high in the state in all categories.

It is with fondness and pride that I end my own tenure as principal this year, knowing that the next administration will inherit an exemplary high school. This is the gift I was given when I arrived in the summer of 1999. I pass this on to my successor.

Thank you for all the support and generosity these nine years!

Sincerely,

Margaret "Peg" Regan

**MARTHA'S VINEYARD REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL
DISTRICT TREASURER**

To the Citizens of the Town of Oak Bluffs:

In compliance with Section VIII of the Martha's Vineyard Regional High School District Agreement under which the District was formed and according to the recommendations of the Office of the Directors of Accounts, we submit the following financial reports of the District for fiscal year ending June 30, 2007.

Statement of Net Assets

Government Funds Balance Sheet

General Fund Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances (Budget and Actual)

Respectfully submitted,
MARYLEE SCHROEDER
Treasurer

**MARTHA'S VINEYARD REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF ASSETS**

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

	<u>Primary Government Governmental Activities</u>
ASSETS	
Current Assets:	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 3,119,705
Receivables, net of allowance for uncollectible accounts:	
Intergovernmental	670,144
Due from Agency Funds	<u>442,567</u>
Total Current Assets	<u>4,232,416</u>
Noncurrent assets:	
Receivables, net of allowance for uncollectible accounts:	
Intergovernmental	5,372,817
Capital assets not being depreciated	179,744
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	<u>16,666,773</u>
Total noncurrent assets	<u>22,219,334</u>
Total assets	<u>26,451,750</u>
LIABILITIES	
Current Liabilities:	
Warrants Payable	561,997
Accrued payroll	999,672
Other liabilities	100
Abandoned property	35,838
Long-term bonds and notes payable	<u>1,080,000</u>
Total Current Liabilities	<u>2,667,607</u>
Noncurrent Liabilities:	
Long-term bonds and note payable	<u>6,455,000</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>9,132,607</u>
NET ASSETS	
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	15,312,478
Restricted for:	
Student Activities	53,574
Other specific purposes	148,628
Unrestricted	<u>1,804,453</u>
Total Net Assets	<u>\$ 17,319,143</u>

**MARTHA'S VINEYARD REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
BALANCE SHEET**

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

	<u>General</u>	<u>Nonmajor Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 2,022,700	\$ 1,097,005	\$ 3,119,705
Receivables, net of allowance for uncollectible accounts:			
Intergovernmental	6,042,961	-	6,042,961
Due from Agency Funds	<u>442,567</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>442,567</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 8,508,228</u>	<u>\$ 1,097,005</u>	<u>\$ 9,605,233</u>
 LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES:			
LIABILITIES:			
Warrants Payable	\$ 484,548	\$ 77,449	\$ 561,997
Accrued payroll	941,608	58,064	999,672
Other liabilities	100	-	100
Abandoned property	35,838	-	35,838
Deferred revenues	<u>6,000,961</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,000,961</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>7,463,055</u>	<u>135,513</u>	<u>7,598,568</u>
 FUND BALANCES			
Reserved for:			
Employee benefits	3,408	-	3,408
Student Activities	-	53,574	53,574
Other specific purposes	-	148,628	148,628
Unreserved:			
Designated for subsequent years' expenditures	250,000	-	250,000
Undesignated reported in:			
General Fund	791,765	-	791,765
Special revenue funds	-	96,316	96,316
Capital projects funds	<u>-</u>	<u>662,974</u>	<u>662,974</u>
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	<u>1,045,173</u>	<u>961,492</u>	<u>2,006,665</u>
 TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	<u>\$ 8,508,228</u>	<u>\$ 1,097,005</u>	<u>\$ 9,605,233</u>

**MARTHA'S VINEYARD REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
GENERAL FUND
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHARGES IN FUND BALANCE
BUDGET AND ACTUAL
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007**

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Supplemental Appropriations</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance Positive/ (Negative)</u>
REVENUES					
Member town assessments	\$ 10,981,941	\$ (337,423)	\$10,644,518	\$10,644,518	\$ -
User fees	330,176		330,176	687,803	357,627
Intergovernmental:					-
State Aid-foundation	2,673,933		2,673,933	2,820,735	146,802
State Aid-transportation	548,431		# 548,431	# 208,771	(339,660)
State Aid-school construction reimbursement	871,201		871,201	871,201	-
State Aid-charter school assessment reimbursement	121,856		121,856	40,330	(81,526)
State Aid - circuit breaker	322,186		322,186	312,653	(9,533)
Departmental Receipts	62,058		62,058	77,079	15,021
Investment income	30,000		30,000	129,599	99,599
TOTAL REVENUES	<u>15,941,782</u>	<u>(337,423)</u>	<u>15,604,359</u>	<u>15,792,689</u>	<u>188,330</u>
EXPENDITURES					
Current:					
Instruction:					
Regular	4,228,621	-	4,228,621	4,192,308	36,313
Special Education	1,611,148	- #	1,611,148	# 1,818,703	(207,555)
Vocational	418,944	-	418,944	418,391	553
Other	148,084	-	148,084	118,832	29,252
Support Services:					
Pupil	1,384,139	-	1,384,139	1,361,329	22,810
Instructional	290,907	-	290,907	252,271	38,636
Administration	1,486,146	-	1,486,146	1,458,868	27,278
Business	92,852	-	92,852	76,950	15,902
Building and grounds	1,031,878	-	1,031,878	1,020,197	11,681
Transportation	898,372	-	898,372	741,358	157,014
Pension benefits	258,962	-	258,962	217,767	41,195
Employee benefits	1,916,720	-	1,916,720	1,836,621	80,099
Property and liability insurance	193,901	-	193,901	191,442	2,459
State Assessment					
Charter school	511,878	-	511,878	355,658	156,220
Capital Outlay	41,000	-	41,000	38,943	2,057
Debt service-principal	1,095,000	-	1,095,000	1,095,000	-
Debt service-interest	383,501	-	383,501	383,501	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>15,992,053</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>15,992,053</u>	<u>15,578,139</u>	<u>413,914</u>
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES					
OVER EXPENDITURES	<u>(50,271)</u>	<u>(337,423)</u>	<u>(387,694)</u>	<u>214,550</u>	<u>602,244</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):					
Transfers out	<u>(568,740)</u>	<u>(470,573)</u>	<u>(1,039,313)</u>	<u>(1,039,313)</u>	<u>-</u>
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	(619,011)	(807,996)	(1,427,007)	(824,763)	602,244
BUDGETARY FUND BALANCE,					
Beginning of year		<u>1,866,528</u>	<u>1,866,528</u>	<u>1,866,528</u>	<u>-</u>
BUDGETARY FUND BALANCE,					
End of year	<u>\$ 1,247,517</u>	<u>\$ 1,058,532</u>	<u>\$ 439,521</u>	<u>\$ 1,041,765</u>	<u>\$ 602,244</u>

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

Dr. James Weiss
Superintendent of Schools
4 Pine Street
Vineyard Haven, MA 02568

Dear Dr. Weiss,

I have the pleasure to provide you with my report on the state of the Oak Bluffs School for the 2007-2008 school year. This has been a year in which we have felt a confirmation for the hard work and energy that our teachers and staff have contributed over the last several years. Knowing that we can't rest on these accomplishments, we remain hard at work on our many important goals and mission, chief among them being the ongoing improvement of our curriculum & instruction, enhanced student achievement & assessment, and continuing professional development.

Our current school population is 410 students.

The Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System (MCAS) provides consistent information regarding the Oak Bluffs School's progress in the curriculum areas of English/Language Arts, math and science. Students in grades 3-8 are tested. The No Child Left Behind Act requires that schools demonstrate proficiency in reading and math for all students in these grades by 2014. The Oak Bluffs School is striving to meet that goal which is becoming increasingly more difficult to achieve. As Oak Bluffs School scores rise, the challenge of meeting new, higher target goals (Composite Performance Indexes) has begun to become an almost impossible task.

For the school year 2006-07 Oak Bluffs met Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) targets in both math and English/Language Arts as required by the Massachusetts Department of Education and NCLB. However, the OB School did not achieve target goals in two subgroup areas in English/Language Arts. The two subgroups are students coming from low-income families (as determined by our free/reduced lunch accounts) and students who receive special education services. It is important to note that even in these two subgroups scores exceed state averages by significant margins.

Areas of strength on the MCAS Test include:

8th Grade ELA- 94% of all students achieved in the Advanced/Proficient range

8th Grade Math-92% of all students passed the test, an improvement of 12%/

8th Grade Science - 100% of all students passed the test.

7th Grade Math-100% of all students passed the test, and 48% were Advanced/Proficient.

7th Grade ELA 100% of all students passed the test with 80% being Advanced/Proficient.

4th Grade ELA-80% of all students were Advanced/Proficient, an improvement of 5%.

In most other areas test scores remained consistent with other years and well above state averages.

The Oak Bluffs School staff and administration continue to assess the results of the tests as part of teacher professional development. The goal of these assessments is to be able to assure consistency in areas of strong instructional practices and explore and implement new curriculum and instruction in areas where test scores show need for improvement.

Most importantly, one of the things that we have learned from this testing data is that there are some specific areas of instruction that need to be assessed and modified. The Oak Bluffs teaching staff continually seeks to improve upon their instructional practice, and through our own professional development activities we are currently working to better develop those areas where student achievement was low.

In addition, the improvement of every student's social achievement and skills, aptly applied in the school's social curriculum, remains a major objective for us. These goals loom as crucial targets in the school's mission to meet both the state's mandates for student performance and achievement, as well as to prepare the children of Oak Bluffs for the new world that awaits them in this new century. For the last several years, the Oak Bluffs School has practiced aspects of social curricula through a model called the Responsive Classroom and most recently with Responsive Designs, a middle school curriculum based on the same concepts as RC only middle school focused. With professional development initiatives such as this as a basis, the Oak Bluffs School is moving toward becoming a genuine Responsive Classroom/Responsive design school, in which its policies and practices regarding student AND adult behavior is guided by the tenets of this important social curriculum.

With this principle in mind, the staff at the Oak Bluffs School continue to build a school culture that reflects teaching and learning applied to all students in all grades across all curriculum areas, collegiality, fairness, equity and success. We continue to analyze the contexts and constructs for learning in the important areas of curriculum & instruction, achievement & assessment, and professional development, adapting what makes sense and leaving behind what doesn't. We are engaged in an all-island initiative regarding exploring the need to improve our students' skills in nonfiction writing.

Although the Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System (MCAS) tests continue to be a significant and clear priority for the school, we continue to recognize the importance of shared understanding and mutual responsibility for educating the “whole child” as well.

Our professional development of teachers and staff here at Oak Bluffs is focusing on teachers learning what they need to know to help underachieving students. Our fine arts programs provide students with experiences in music, home arts, woodworking, art and dance. The school’s drama department put on a musical production this year for the school community. Our annual talent show displays the special gifts and skills of over eighty of our students each year. And our sports and physical education programs provide exercise and skill-building activities, both competitive and noncompetitive for all students.

In our ongoing efforts to enhance support services for our students, we strive to reduce bullying throughout our school and deepen our Responsive Classroom and Responsive Design philosophy; the Oak Bluffs School is developing an Anti-Bullying Congress (ABC). The goals of the ABC, as stated in the School Improvement Plan, is to “develop ways to raise awareness regarding bullying.”

Mr. Jones and Ms. Patti are excited to work with the ABC to raise awareness regarding bullying and do much, much more. They are committed to empower the ABC to move in a collaborative direction to address bullying in ways they choose. The ABC will receive some training from the Peer Outreach program participants at the MVRHS. The Peer Outreach program based their program on “The Natural Helpers” a national peer helping program that has had success in over 900 schools throughout North America. The ABC loosely based their concept on the MVRHS model, as well as on the Responsive Classroom philosophy. Mr. Jones and Ms. Patti feel honored to work together with some of the most trusted students in our school. Together adults and students will create new approaches to address bullying.

As far as maintenance is concerned, we have repaired portions of the school’s roof, removed carpeting from several first floor classrooms to reduce health concerns regarding mold and mildew, replaced the entire outside lighting system with state-of-the-art fixtures, and have completed the installation of an exterior security camera system to provide better security and help eliminate vandalism. Through the generous services of Cape Light Compact and Clean Energy Alternatives, the Oak Bluffs School is now generating its own electricity through the installation and use of photovoltaic panels on our roof. These panels generate solar energy that helps to reduce our reliance on traditional fossil fuel sources, as well as the amount we spend each month on electricity.

We have hired many new staff to classroom positions. We have been extremely fortunate to have attracted highly qualified and energetic teachers to fill these positions. Our new and reassigned teaching staff this year are as follows:

New Teacher	Position
Maggie Greely	Spanish grades 2-5
Sandra Macias	grade 5 assistant
Katherine Pilcher	one on one assistant
Kirkland Beck	one on one assistant
Nancy Danielson	Kindergarten assistant
Arianna Binney	grade 4 assistant
Graham Houghton	middle school social skills teacher
MaryEllen Guyther	grade 4 teacher
Anne Caldwell	computer integration specialist
Mary Jane Aldrich-Moodie	grade 1 assistant
Ally Lanzone	social skills assistant
Doug Brush	grade 4 assistant
Michelle Bettencourt	secretary
Helen Hall	secretary
Bill Jones	5-8 guidance counselor
Suzanne Rollins	special education teacher
Skye Sonneborn	grade 7 ela teacher
Rae Carter	ell teacher
Wendy Federowicz	special education teacher
Kenneth Ponte	custodian
Summer Clements	middle school assistant
Jenn Farley	grade 3 teacher
Leah Dorr	middle school science teacher
Rueben Fitzgerald	middle school social studies teacher
Beth Flaherty	grade 6 ela teacher
Jeannie Holenko	5th grade math teacher
Carlin Hart	Acting Principal
Gina Patti	Acting assistant principal

The Oak Bluffs School Committee continues to promote responsible governance and advocates for the best interests of the children of this fine town. Our new school committee member is Lisa Reagan who has two children at our school. And, the Oak Bluffs PTO continues to be an active, engaged and articulate parent/community body.

The role of our School Advisory Council (SAC) in guiding our school improvement efforts continues to be important. We have reviewed and revised our school improvement (SIP) goals for this past year, especially those regarding student achievement in literacy and assessment, our work in increasing meaningful parent and community involvement, the implementation of a bullying goal to help reduce or eliminate bullying in grades K-8, the implementation of a plan for professional growth and development, and improving how we provide enrichment in curriculum and instruction to all of our students. We also added a goal

for designing a model of early academic intervention, or RTI (Response to Intervention) for students' in grades K-2 this year.

Our ELL (English Language Learners) program continues to address the complex and significant ELL population at the Oak Bluffs School. We currently provide these services to thirty-nine students. The Oak Bluffs School is required to provide "sheltered immersion" instruction to those students with Limited English

Proficiency (LEP). Coping with these new requirements continues to be a huge challenge for us.

Finally, I wish to thank you, the residents and taxpayers of Oak Bluffs, for your continuing support and understanding regarding the direction the Oak Bluffs School takes.

Respectfully submitted,

CARLIN HART, Principal



PUBLIC LIBRARY

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and
Citizens of Oak Bluffs:

2007 was another year in the new library. Use of the library continued to increase. The numbers of circulated materials, attendance and programs offered were all much higher when compared to the previous fiscal year. Circulation staff checked out to our patrons or sent to other libraries an average of over 2,000 books, DVDs, music CDs and other materials per week. Every week about 20 bins full of library materials from other libraries arrived by delivery and about the same number were picked up. Over a hundred new items a week were purchased, prepared for circulation and added to the shelves.

Our busiest months, as expected, were July and August, but the staff was busy year round working hard to meet the goals identified during our planning process undertaken in 2006.

During FY07 visitors logged on to the library's website - www.oakbluffslibrary.org - 5,000 times. Two popular features of the website - the calendar of events and online digital photograph catalogue - received 7,270 and 1,224 visits, respectively. Patron use of this valuable resource increased significantly from publicly from flyers, local media outlets and staff interaction.

By visiting the website, patrons may manage their library accounts, access online resources, learn about upcoming library events and news, and learn about library services. The library strives to continually streamline the website and add to its quality and quantity of content.

Due to a continuing demand for computer assistance by patrons, the library administered 45 help sessions in FY07 - as compared to 26 sessions in FY06. These sessions included training on topics such as the Windows operating system, how to use the mouse, using Microsoft Word, how to sign up and use an email account and researching a topic of interest.

The library also began offering group computer classes to meet the community goals identified in the Library's Long Range Plan.

For fiscal year 2007, the 7,618 reference inquiries represent a 26 percent increase compared with FY06. Popular subjects of interest included consumer reports/reviews, technology-related questions, local services and directory information, and school report help. These figures point towards an increase in usage of the library's information services by the Oak Bluffs community. The library also received several generous donations of reference materials in the fields of non-profit management and fundraising, and African American history and culture.

The Internet and online search engines have in large part shaped the trends in Reference Services during the past several years. While the World Wide Web is an extremely valuable resource, the use of the library's online subscription databases is of great importance to find accurate and detailed information for students, researchers, and the general public.

The library purchased subscriptions to *Ancestry Library Edition* and *Heritage Quest Online* (two genealogical databases), plus *NoveList* (a reader's advisory tool). We also have access to many databases (for health, business, general reference, education, and other types of information) funded by the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners.

In an increasingly complex library environment, public reference services need to provide community members with support and instruction for the use of online databases, internet search tools, and basic technological equipment such as printers, computers and WIFI.

In order to stay current and sharpen their research skills to meet this demand, library staff members who regularly work in the Reference Department attended more than 100 hours of continuing education. This included earning a grant to attend the American Library Association's 2007 Annual Conference, attending the *Computers In Libraries 2007* Conference, using the *Element K* computer courses provided by the Southeastern Massachusetts Library System, and utilizing free online library courses available through authoritative sources.

Children's Room

The saying "If you build it, they will come" has proven to be true with our happy, sunny, inviting Children's Room. Creative displays and programs are booming, computers are employed for games and school projects, and thousand of books and movies are circulating. Our busy Summer Reading Program continued with over 720 children signing up and over 1000 people attending Story Times and programs. Margot Datz's murals continue to awe those who view them, and they were incorporated into a scavenger hunt, so the children would take a closer look.

Activities added this year include Portuguese/English Story Times with a 9 year old volunteer reader from Brazil. We also have weekly "Dance Dance Revolution" and "Guitar Hero" sessions enjoyed by older children and teens.

We deeply appreciate our local businesses who donated reading incentives for our Summer Reading Program this year: Ben & Bill's Chocolate Emporium, Body Art Jewelry, The Corner Store, First Impressions,

Flying Horses, Giordano's Pizza, Good Ship Lollipop Candy Store, Island Music, It's Me, Martha's Gift Shop, Mary's Linen Store, Murdick's Fudge, MV Gourmet Deli and Bakery, MV Movies, Old Variety Store, Pomodoro's, Reliable Market, Rose Bud Balloons, Secret Garden, Shore Thing, Sunporch Books, Tease Outlet, Third World Trading and The Vineyard by Martha. These sponsors should feel proud they helped our young readers, and we hope the community responds by supporting these businesses!

We also thank our special volunteer guests who helped make coming to the library so interesting and entertaining in 2007: Royal Bolling, Jr., Sheila Mudd Baker, Jim Thomas, Robin Tuck, Al Hurwitz, Jeanne Gerulskis, Amandine Muniz, Lois Virtue, and Joan Eville. Some Story Book characters also visited: Winnie the Pooh, The Cat in the Hat, Mother Goose (thanks to Lois & the Vineyard Playhouse's costume!), and Peter Rabbit.

Programs

During the long-range planning process the community identified the need for a wide variety of programs. In 2007 the library began offering more programs for adults. A Writers group, led by Rev. Judith Campbell, started in January and met every Thursday morning. Coffee and good conversation could be found in the meeting room Wednesday mornings, and scrabble players gathered on Fridays, then Saturday mornings. We continued offering monthly Movie Nights.

Our Books Discussion Group continued to meet twice a month. Among its selections were classics like *My Antonia* by Willa Cather and *To Kill A Mockingbird* by Harper Lee, and new fiction like *The Piano Tuner* by Daniel Mason and *My Sister's Keeper* by Jodi Picoult. The 2007 choice for the "One Book – One Island" was *Their Eyes Were Watching God* by Zora Neale Hurston, and our library hosted a lecture by a Harvard University professor and Hurston scholar, Glenda Carpio. In October we hosted the Island-wide reading group, Sustainable Book Club, for a discussion of *Cod* by Mark Kurlansky.

We had workshops on genealogy with Catherine Mayhew, explored a coral reef with Michael Wooley, traveled from Cape Town to Cairo through the eyes of the lens of Harvey Beth and narration by Ellie Beth, Geologist Charles Ratte presented a slide show about geology of the Island and the evolution of the South Coast. Charlayne Hunter-Gault brought us "new news" from Africa, and Jessica Harris brought us memories from her *Martha's Vineyard Table*. Marc Songini, author of *The Lost Fleet*, talked about the whaling masters and mates of the Island. As part of the Della Hardman Day events held at the library, Gus BenDavid, the renowned Island naturalist and former Felix Neck director brought live frogs, toads and other creatures to a program called: "Gus BenDavid Live Animal Interview: Frogs, Turtles and others..."

A very special event was a visit on August 23rd by Senator Edward W. Brooke. A crowd of the Senator's Oak Bluffs neighbors, friend and admirers from the Island and beyond overflowed the library meeting room, and a video feed to the upstairs had to be provided so that more people could hear the Senator's talk. The talk was followed by a reception and book signing. The event provided an occasion for a special meeting that August afternoon: Attorney Martha Coakley, Massachusetts first female attorney general, got to meet Senator Brooke, the thirty-fifth attorney general of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and the first African American to be elected attorney general in any of the fifty states.

We were fortunate to have so many talented and accomplished people offer programs at the library for the benefit of the community. We wish to thank them all.

Thank you to our dedicated staff: Reference Librarian Mathew Bose, Children's Librarian Irene Tewksbury, Library Associate Rosemary Hildreth, Library Assistants Patrician Duncan, Anne Parker, Pamela Speir and Leigh French; Library Aides Kristina Ivory, Suzanne Mitchell, Luna Woden, and Barbara Cassiani.

To volunteer shelveers and other helpers, who contributed close to 400 hours to the library: Charles Blank, Anne Cummings, Carol Dell, Anne Doss, William Duncan, E.L. Edwards, Joan Eville, Winnie Eyrick, Don Hinkle, Lorraine Hoggan, Joseph McNamara and Lois Virtue.

To the town departments and especially the Highway department and Raymond Moreis for taking care of our beautiful building.

To Crossland Landscape for beautifully decorating the library exterior for holidays.

To the Library Friends of Oak Bluffs for their continued support of the library.

Thank you to the residents and taxpayers of Oak Bluffs, for your support.

The Board of Library Trustees:

Beatrice Green, Chair
Richard Ball, Chair until July 2007
Karen Achille
Harvey Beth
Robert Ford, Vice-Chair
Lloyd Henke
Ann Ross

Respectfully submitted,

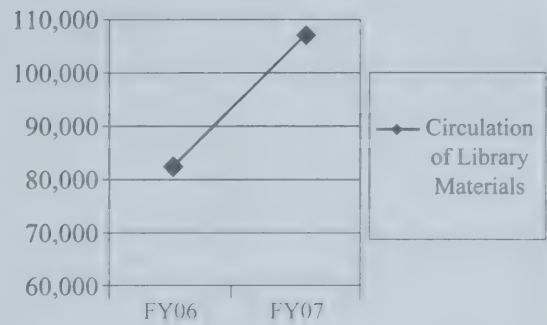
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Library Facts At a Glance

Circulation	91,305
Interlibrary loans received	11,039
Interlibrary loans provided	15,019
New borrowers registered	1,076
New items added	5,847
Collection holdings	30,484
Audio books and music CDs	1,273
DVDs and Video	3,805
Open hours	1,930
Attendance in the library	78,462
Number of children's programs	147
Attendance	3,457
Adult and Young Adult programs	116
Attendance	859
Visits to the library's web page	5,000
Public computer minutes used	One million +

*FY2007 = July 1, 2006 - June 30, 2007

Circulation of Library Materials



Description	FY06	FY07	% Increase
Circulation of Library Materials	83,986	106,324	26.6%
Attendance at the Library	70,282	78,462	11.6%
# of Reference Transactions	6,040	7,618	26%
Programs for Adults & Teens/Attendance	30 programs	116 programs	287%
	303 attendees	859 attendees	34%
Library Holdings By # of Volumes	25,408	30,484	20%
PC Sessions		27,875	
PC Minutes Used		1,032,657	
Computer Help Sessions by Staff		45	



Senator Edward Brooke visits.



Jessica Harris reads from her new book.



Peter Rabbit visit.



Charlayne Hunter-Gault brings new news from Africa.



Della Frog Program - Gus BenDavid.



Della Program - Gus BenDavid and his turtle.



Santa visits.



Look what I made.



Mother Goose visits



Halloween PreSchool Storytime 2007.



Gingerbread Craft at Library Friends party.



Listening to Gus BenDavid talk about reptiles.



Chair of Library Trustees - Mrs. Green - tells Santa her wishes for the library.



Ms. Tewksbury ready for the crowd.



Senator Edward Brooke

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

BOARD OF HEALTH

To the Board of Selectmen and
the Citizens of the Town of Oak Bluffs:

The Board of Health respectfully submits the following report to the voters and taxpayers of the Town of Oak Bluffs.

The 2007 year passed with much activity ranging from implementing and enforcing local and state regulations to protecting the public safety and welfare and the environment.

The office staff spends a great deal of time each day responding to public requests regarding permit records, use, limitations and options related to properties, in addition to selling pumpout permits (214) and trash stickers (30,960).

The following is a partial list of the Health Agent's activities: The Health Agent oversaw 210 food inspections, permitted 112 perc tests, inspected 119 septic installations, reviewed 91 septic inspection reports, approved 119 building permit requests, responded to 112 complaints, inspected 4 recreation camps, inspected 2 private/semi-private swimming pools, performed 29 sanitary code inspections, reviewed 106 food recalls.

The Board of Health contracted with the Visiting Nurse Service to provide public health nursing services to town residents. These services include adult health promotion visits (at home), nurse clinics (at the Council on Aging), maternal/child visits, blood pressure clinics, health education (Parkinson's, prostate disease education), and consultations with the Council on Aging.

The Board of Health issued 91 food establishments permits and 13 tobacco permits, and collected \$153,510.00 in fees for various applications and permits.

The Board of Health continues to spend a considerable amount of time participating in island-wide emergency preparedness planning. The Vineyard health agent meets regularly to discuss and implement all of the mandates issued from the state. Among some of the state mandates is to establish an Emergency Dispensing Site. The regional high school is the designated site, which will serve the entire island in the event of a health emergency such as a flu pandemic.

In addition, we are establishing plans for special populations, continuity of operations, risk communications, mutual aid, 24/7 coverage and a memorandum of understanding with other towns.

Again this year, the all-island flu clinic in November was very successful. In conjunction with the Visiting Nurse Service, 1,345 people were vaccinated.

We would like to extend our thanks to the Health Agent, Shirley Fauteux, and the Administrative Assistant, Nathalie Woodruff, for their dedication to the continuing challenges of the department.

Respectfully submitted,

PATRICIA BERGERON, Chairman
WILLIAM WHITE, Vice-Chairman
DAVID CARON

COUNCIL ON AGING

Honorable Board of Selectmen and
the Citizens of Oak Bluffs:

It is with great satisfaction and a sense of accomplishment that I make this report on the state of the Oak Bluffs Council on Aging.

I would first like to express my appreciation to the staff, Rose Cogliano and Susan Von Steiger, as well as the many volunteers who generously give their time and contribute their talents and without whom the Senior Center could not function.

Our new addition, which almost doubles the size of our center, has been completed. It has added a 30' x 40' Activity Room, a Privacy Room for confidential meetings regarding health issues, financial information, etc., a full basement and two new bathrooms.

Oak Bluffs has a population of 4,066 and a sixty-and-over population of 1,140.

The use of the Senior Center and the number of activities during this past year has increased. Some of the regular activities offered at the center include:

MONTHLY – January-December 2007

An afternoon with David Underwood	9
Another afternoon with David Underwood	12
Antarctica – in pictures, with Joe Doeblen	10
ASALH	46
Bingo	223
Blood Pressure Clinic	149
Candy Workshop with Lillian Pearce	11
Elder Legal Clinic	11
Halloween Trick or Treat Luncheon	55
Hearing Clinic	43
Joe Doeblen's Tour of China	7
Joe Doeblen's Tour of South America	5
Mary St. Germain's Felt Puppet Class	3
Mary St. Germain's Needlepoint Class	5
Mary St. Germain's Ribbon Rose Pin Class	3
Men's and Ladies Christmas Party and Luncheon	75
Men's and Ladies Luncheons	308
Minnesingers	23
Performers' Workshop Concert	30
Rhode Island for Community and Justice Film Presentation of "Traces of the Trade"	125
Ruth Britton's Facial and Satin Hands Clinic	3
Shark Distribution	11
Shellfish Program with David Grunden	21
SHINE	43
MVRHS Senior Interview Presentation	4
Social Security	359
Town Well-Nurse Clinic	73

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Breakfast	306
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Chair Caning	166
Computer Use	237
Conversations	713
Cribbage	41
Exercise with Bill White	454
Exercise with Floyd Lifton	208
Exercise with Sue Collinson	406
Fish Distribution	397
Knitting with Nancy Mergos	28
Ladies Bridge	166
Ladies Bridge Lessons	35
Line Dancing	35
Men's Cards	117
Morning Coffee	1,968
Needlework and Knitting with Barbara Morrison	4
Nustep Exercise Machine	72
Quilting with Glenna Barkan	303
Treadmill	444
Watercolor	145
Woodcarving	312

ACTIVITY WITH OUR OUTREACH DIRECTOR

Incoming Calls	890
Outgoing Calls	915
Office Visits	412
Hospital Visits	48
Home Visits	292
Windemere	26
Woodside	3
Doctors	54
Community Services Counseling Services	14
Pharmacy	29
Post Office	169
Shopping	213
Fuel Assistance Applications	72

Last June we had a luncheon to recognize three individuals for their devotion to the Senior Center. They were Richard Brown (who has lead the woodcarving class for many years), Douglas Peckham (who instructs the watercolor class), and Richmond Green (who taught chair caning).

Those attending the luncheon included Michael Dutton, Town Administrator, and Russell Smith, the Island Liaison for Representation Eric Turkington. The three honorees received citations for the State House of Representatives and the State Senate.

Special thanks go to Glenna Barkan and the women of the Quilting Group, who raised approximately \$4,100, which will again be used to provide seniors with assistance with their fuel costs and medical expenses. This year has seen a substantial increase in the cost of fuel. The Council on Aging is responsible for providing fuel assistance for qualified individuals. In addition to the funding received

through the South Shore Community Action Council, we made application and received a generous grant of \$2,000 from an Island Endowment Fund. Additional funding has been provided by the Quilting Group and over \$1,000 from the Thanksgiving Day Road Race.

During the year we had many weekly and monthly gatherings at the center by many community groups such as The Oak Bluffs Board of Appeals, The Martha's Vineyard Commission, The Martha's Vineyard Charter Commission, ASALH, the Association for the study of African American Life and History and other community groups.

Due to the generosity of the Friends of the Council on Aging we were able to purchase two commercial Treadmills and a Nustep (a closed Kinetic Chair exercise machine) which will improve your cardiovascular fitness. These machines are available during the operating hours of the center.

In order to use the machines, you must be a senior (55+) and have a doctor's permission slip. You also must be instructed by the Director in their proper use. The machines are constantly in use.

During the past year we have added two new programs which will enhance the life of seniors in Oak Bluffs. Thanks to the support of the Oak Bluffs Finance Committee the center is able to have a counselor with a Master's Degree, who is available to advise seniors in time of need. This program has also become available to homebound seniors, who can receive counseling in their homes. This program is an overwhelming success.

Of all our parties, the Christmas party far outshone the others. We had over 100 seniors and children attend. Everyone received a gift from Santa Claus, and children from the Oak Bluffs Elementary School performed seasonal songs.

Our staff and volunteers have a wealth of knowledge and information to share with those needing help. As always, the constant support and recognition we receive from our townspeople inspire us to continue providing the highest quality of care for our community.

Respectfully submitted,

ROGER W. WEY, Director

ISLAND COUNCILS ON AGING

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Island Councils on Aging Inc., (ICOA) is a private non-profit 501(c)(3) organization governed by a board of directors consisting of appointed representatives from each of the four Town Councils on Aging (with Up-Island combining the towns of Aquinnah, Chilmark and West Tisbury), and at-large members form the community. The ICOA Board and staff work with the Directors and Boards of each of the Town Councils on Aging as well as Elder Services of Cape Cod & the Islands, Inc., and other local service organizations to maintain and develop programs that meet the growing and changing needs of seniors on Martha's Vineyard. Island Councils on Aging's mission is to promote the "aging in place concept" with health, independence and life-long learning.

ICOA seeks out funding for and supervises the use of grants and funds from federal, state, county and/or local governments and other sources for programming and services to benefit all Island elders. In addition, all six towns, through their respective Councils on Aging, contribute to the ICOA operating budget and programs. The level of local municipal support is determined proportionally by population of those 60+ in each town. In FY07, in addition to local municipal support, ICOA received \$20,828 in grants, donations and other state, federal and local charitable funds to support these regional services.

The ICOA Director works closely with town Council on Aging staff, Elder Services of Cape Cod & the Islands Inc., and other municipal and private agencies to develop and provide services in the community setting that will promote health, independence and the aging in place concept. Our goal is to enable seniors to remain in their homes as active community participants as long as possible by assuring the availability of a continuum of supportive services to individuals, their families and caregivers.

Island Councils on Aging is responsible for the following program:

Information and referral: The 55PLUS Times supplemental section published in the Martha's Vineyard Times on the last Thursday of each month. Through the combined efforts of the ICOA Director, Council on Aging Directors and staff, Elder Services and other contributors, the 55PLUS Times provides a single resource with comprehensive information pertaining to programs and services available to Island seniors and their families.

Taxi Service to off-Island medical appointments: With a \$8,000 grant from Elder Services of Cape Cod & the Islands and donations from participants and local charitable organizations, a taxi service provides Island seniors with transportation to medical appointments in Falmouth, Mashpee and Sandwich. This service operates 7 days a

week, picking elders up at the Woods Hole ferry terminal and taking them directly to their appointment and returning them to Woods Hole when their appointment is completed. Every month this service provides transportation to an average of between twenty and thirty elders and disabled clients to their off-Island medical appointments. In FY 2007 these clients donated over \$4,800 back to the program. In addition, a \$3,000 grant was received from The Executive Office of Elder Affairs and a \$1,000 donation from the Martha's Vineyard Rotary Club. These funds go to direct support for the continuance of the taxi program.

Supportive Day Program: In July 2007, the Island Councils on Aging Director took over the position as Director of the Supportive Day Program, in addition to the regular duties as ICOA Director. Several new staff members were hired bringing new talents and creativity to planning and programming for clients. FY2007 saw huge growth and many positive changes in the Supportive Day Program. Unfortunately this growth also meant that the spaces available at the Anchors Senior Center and Tisbury Senior Center are no longer adequate to provide the quality service for which this program has become known. For the first time we had to institute a waiting list for new clients wishing to attend the program. Looking ahead, and considering projected future growth and needs of the Supportive Day Program, Island Councils on Aging will seek an alternative and permanent site to house this vital regional program. Due to space constraints and the need for Edgartown and Tisbury seniors to have full use of their senior centers five days per week, ICOA has made the goal of moving the Supportive Day Program to its own separate location a priority. ICOA is working closely with the Town Councils on Aging and other local officials to make the best plan for the future needs of the Supportive Day Program.

Older Americans Act: The Elder Services Nutrition Programs, under the Older American Act (Meals on Wheels and Senior Dining Centers, located at the 4 Senior Centers), are supported financially by the six Vineyard towns through the Island Councils on Aging budget. In FY2007, the towns on Martha's Vineyard contributed a combined total of \$36,750 to Elder Services of Cape Cod & the Islands in support of this vital nutrition program.

Regional Lunch Program: ICOA coordinates with the Martha's Vineyard Regional High School Culinary Arts Department to offer a three course gourmet meal at reasonable cost for seniors once a month in the Culinary Arts dining room at the High School. The High School String Quartet students provide music for these events. This is a popular social event and a wonderful learning experience for both the students and seniors. During the school year, between 30 and 40 seniors attend these events

on a monthly basis, and for \$10 - \$12 per person, enjoy a delicious meal prepared and served by the Culinary Arts students. Proceeds from these events go to the Culinary Arts Department.

Home Delivered Holiday Meals: Island Councils on Aging coordinates the holiday home delivered meal program providing a meal to seniors who are alone and/or homebound on the Thanksgiving, Christmas and Easter holidays. The Martha's Vineyard Hospital food service prepares and packages approximately 50 meals on each of these holidays, which are picked up and distributed by volunteers to homebound elders. The four local Councils on Aging coordinate the volunteers to deliver the meals in their towns.

Emergency Food Pantry Program: Martha's Vineyard has five designated emergency food pantries; four Senior Centers and the Island Food Pantry (located at the Baptist Church Parish House on Williams St. in Vineyard Haven). The Emergency Food Pantry Program strives to provide a variety of free nutritious foods to needy Islanders of all ages. Island Councils on Aging is responsible for coordinating the ordering, pick up and delivery of monthly shipments of surplus food from the Greater Boston Food Bank to the pantries. The Edgartown and Oak Bluffs Highway Departments, and the Tisbury Dept. of Public Works volunteer a truck and personnel on a rotating basis, to make the monthly trips to Harwich for pick up of the food supply. The Steamship Authority supports this program by offering free passage for the truck and

personnel each month. Recent years have seen a growing number of struggling families seeking the food provided through this program. In FY2007, approximately 4,000 pounds of food (canned goods, fresh and frozen) were brought to the Island and distributed every month through the emergency food pantries. Much of this food is free; however, some is purchased at reduced cost. In FY07 approximately \$2,300 was spent on the purchase of food. ICOA received a \$2,000 grant from Project Bread through the Walk for Hunger and a \$1,500 donation from the Vineyard Committee on Hunger to offset the cost of food and to help cover the costs of the home delivered holiday meal program. The surplus food program serves an average of 300-350 individual islanders, including children and elders per month through the emergency food pantries.

FEMA: Island Councils on Aging is designated to receive and allocate Federal Emergency Management Administration funds that are earmarked to assist low-income seniors with overdue utility bills and rent or mortgage payments when other resources have been exhausted. In FY2007, \$1,500 was allocated to the Island Councils on Aging for this program. These funds were used to pay overdue utility bills for 9 elders.

Respectfully submitted,

LESLIE CLAPP, Director
Island Councils on Aging

ELDER SERVICES OF CAPE COD AND THE ISLANDS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and
Citizens of Oak Bluffs:

Elder Services of Cape Cod & the Islands Inc. is a private not-for-profit community-based organization. Since 1972, we have been dedicated to enhancing the quality of life of elders and assisting them to maintain maximum independence and dignity. We are the federally designated Area Agency on Aging and the Commonwealth's designated Aging Services Access Point for Martha's Vineyard. Elder Services also hosts the federal Corporation of National Services' Senior Service Corps.

Our Home Care Program continued to provide care management and support services to assist elders to remain safely in the community. State funds totaling \$429,856 were obtained and used to purchase personal care assistance, homemaking services, supportive day care, and emergency response systems for qualifying Martha's Vineyard seniors.

The Nutrition Program served 25,493 meals in 2007. Meals on Wheels volunteers delivered 18,488 meals to elder's homes; 7,005 meals were served at the Island's senior centers and the Island Council on Aging Supportive Day Program.

In July 2007, Elder Services converted its computer software to the Senior Information Management System (SIMS). SIMS is an initiative associated with the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Executive Office of Health and Human Services' Virtual Gateway. The Gateway is a single point on the Internet for accessing Executive Office of Health and Human Services programs and services. This new system will enhance Elder Services' ability to streamline service access and coordinate service delivery for our clients.

Older American's Act Community Grants were awarded to continue essential local services. The Elder Law Project, Island Councils on Aging's transportation service to Cape medical services, Tisbury Council on Aging's Respite Program, Vineyard Health Care Access Program's Senior Assistance Plan and the Wampanoag Tribe of Gay Head (Aquinnah) received renewed Older Americans Act funding in October, 2007.

Elder Services uses federal, state, town and private funds to provide services and maintain programs. The value of these funds is greatly enhanced by Town support, the cooperative efforts of the Councils on Aging and the many Island residents who volunteer their time and skills. We are proud of our accomplishments, appreciate the value of the community support we receive and expect to continue to work collaboratively and productively to meet the challenges of the future.

Programs and Services

Information and Referral: The Elder Services Information and Referral (I&R) service is a central source of infor-

mation about elder resources and support on Cape Cod and the Islands as well as the entry point for referrals to Elder Services many programs.

Home Care and Respite Care Programs: Through our Home Care Program, services are provided that will help an elder to remain safely in the community. Care Managers will assess the needs of a client, develop a service plan, and arrange for supports such as homemaking, personal care, and personal emergency response systems. To qualify, individuals must be sixty or older, meet financial eligibility guidelines, and have specific unmet needs.

Protective Services: Provides 24-hour assistance to elders subjected to physical or emotional abuse, neglect or financial exploitation or at risk of harm due to self neglect.

Senior Nutrition Program: The Senior Nutrition Program is composed of two interrelated components: Meals-on-Wheels and Senior Dining Centers. Both components of the program combat the social isolation experienced by so many elders while at the same time providing a well-balanced meal.

Community Grants: As the Area Agency on Aging (AAA) for Dukes County we are responsible for the on-going assessment of the needs of all adults sixty and over. Older Americans Act grants are awarded to local, not-for-profit community groups providing needed services.

Family Caregiver Support Program: We support family caregivers through information, advocacy, and education. We connect caregivers to existing community services that meet their needs and the needs of their care recipients.

In-home and telephone assessments are performed to evaluate the caregiving needs in a family; when desired, a plan is developed to guide the caregiver in preserving their own health and well-being while continuing to serve the care recipient's needs.

Money Management Program: Provides assistance to elders who may be at risk of losing their independence due to money management difficulties.

Long Term Care Screening: Determines medical eligibility for those planning to enter nursing homes or Adult Day Health programs. A screening is required when Medicaid will pay for services.

Nursing Home Ombudsman: Regular visits are scheduled by certified advocates to residents of long term care facilities to discuss any concerns they might have about the quality of their care.

Mature Worker Program: Provides training and part-time employment to income eligible individuals who are at least 55 years old. The employment assists and expands community services and gives work experience and training to participants.

Senior Service Corps: Recruits and trains volunteers who serve the community by participating in service activities that address local needs.

PLANNING AND LAND USE

MARTHA'S VINEYARD LAND BANK

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and
Citizens of Oak Bluffs:

2856 acres, representing 4.7% of Martha's Vineyard, have been conserved by the land bank since voters created it in 1986. Please visit them; maps are available at town halls and libraries.

Acquisitions

Eight preserves and reservations were created or expanded in 2007:

(1.) The stretch of the State Road in West Tisbury near its intersection with the Old County Road is renowned for its length of unbroken woodland; the northern side of the road was conserved in 2003 as the **John Presbury Norton Farm** and in 2007 the land bank added 2000 feet on the south side of the road.

(2.) Heathland on the Aquinnah side of the Menemsha Creek was conserved; owing to its isolated location, the **Menemsha Neck Preserve** is accessible via foot or boat.

(3.) **Moshup Beach** now contains 2042' of ocean beach, as result of land assembly since 1988; in 2007, two separate transactions secured approximately 25% of this total.

(4.) Keeping the edges of farmfields undeveloped is a long-held land bank goal; the purchase of 5 acres abutting

the **Norton Fields Preserve** will spare these fields from more windows, lights, cars, pets ...

(5.) Part of an old woodlot – comprising 9.2 acres of rolling oakland – was added to the **Ripley's Field Preserve**. This was part of a cooperative acquisition involving the Bridge Housing Corporation, which plans to construct affordable housing on a portion of the balance of the lot.

(6.) No longer utterly remote, but nevertheless still quiet and lonely, the **Sailors' Burying Ground** is the resting place for dozens of far-flung mariners who happened to die on Martha's Vineyard more than 100 years ago. Its owner, the Boston Seaman's Friend Society, was looking for successors who would maintain the cemetery properly; it found them in the land bank and the Martha's Vineyard Historical Society, to which it donated the property.

(7.) 43.6 acres in the heart of the Mill Brook valley were protected via the purchase of a conservation restriction; they will be combined with an abutting 37.6 acres at the **Square Field** which had been conserved by the town, commonwealth and land bank in 1989. Additional acreage is contracted to be conserved here in 2008.

(8.) Public ownership along the **Tisbury Great Pond Beach** doubled; 400 feet of Atlantic surf-line are now owned by the land bank, accessible by boat from the Sepiessa Point Reservation.

Additional details about the above acquisitions follow:

	Property	Seller	Town	Acres	Price
(1.)	John Presbury Norton Farm	Molly Belle Bennett	West Tisbury	14.5	\$ 1,862,153
(2.)	Menemsha Neck Preserve	Lynn Murphy	Aquinnah	2.8	\$ 38,000
(3.)	Moshup Beach	Sandra Hillman Forrest Vanderhoop	Aquinnah	4.1	\$ 400,000 \$ 20,000
(4.)	Norton Fields Preserve	Phyllis Bartol et al.	Edgartown	5.0	\$2,750,000
(5.)	Ripley's Field Preserve	Sarah Norton et al.	Tisbury	9.2	\$ 636,364
(6.)	Sailors' Burying Ground	Boston Seaman's Friend Society	Tisbury	1.0	\$ 0
(7.)	Square Field	Harriet Hickie et al.	West Tisbury	43.6	\$2,050,000
(8.)	Tisbury Great Pond Beach	Lydia Katzenbach Diana Reische	West Tisbury	1.5 0.5	\$ 360,000 \$ 120,000
				----- 82.2	----- \$ 8,236,517

In addition, the Land Bank continued to purchase partial interests in properties across the island.

Land Management

Ecological inventories and studies continued at many land bank properties: Blue Barque Preserve, Moshup Beach and Moshup Beach Overlook (expansion), Norton Fields Preserve (expansion), Ocean View Farm Preserve, Sailors' Burying Ground, Three Ponds Reservation (expansion), Toad Rock Preserve (expansion) and Wapatequa Woods Reservation (expansion).

A revised management plan for the Manaquayak Preserve was completed and approved by the commonwealth, without conditions. This enabled the land bank to seek and obtain all of the other necessary permits to allow public access to the pond here. This property will be opened in the spring of 2008.

Management plans for the John Presbury Norton Farm, Little Duarte's Pond Preserve and the Tisbury Great Pond Beach were also finalized. Pending before the commonwealth for final approval are plans for the Tiasquam Valley Reservation and Wilfrid's Pond Preserve.

Two new beaches were opened for public use — Tisbury Great Pond Beach and a new stretch of Moshup Beach. In addition, the Weahtaqua Springs Preserve was

also opened. A long-sought trail easement, connecting the North Road and Holman Path, was purchased; as a result, a continuous trail now links the Middle Road (at Tea Lane Farm) and the Vineyard Sound (at the Great Rock Bight Beach). An old barn at the Southern Woodlands Reservation was renovated to serve as the staff workshop; nearby derelict buildings, left behind by previous owners, were removed. The existing workshop at the Blackwater Pond Reservation will be discontinued.

Ongoing maintenance continued on various land bank properties across the island.

Cross-Island Hike

The land bank's fifteenth annual Cross-Island Hike took place on National Trails Day, which is the first Saturday in June. This year's route started in the morning at the Jetty Beach on East Chop in Oak Bluffs and finished in the late afternoon at the Blackwater Pond Reservation in West Tisbury, a distance of 17.6 miles.

Budget and Related Matters

The following chart synthesizes the Land Bank's annual finances. Anyone wishing to read the budget in its entirety, which includes a narrative describing the purpose of each line item expenditure, is welcome to obtain a copy at the Land Bank office:

	fiscal year 2007 budgeted	fiscal year 2007 actual	fiscal year 2008 budgeted
	cash amount and percentage of total	cash amount and percentage of total	cash amount and percentage of total
administrative expenses	\$ 428,619 4.5 %	\$ 397,832 3.3 %	\$ 428,246 4.5 %
land management expenses	\$ 640,474 6.7 %	\$ 627,742 5.2 %	\$ 694,302 7.2 %
debt service expenses	\$ 4,454,347 46.9 %	\$ 5,146,760 42.3 %	\$ 5,698,581 59.4 %
reserve expenses	\$ 30,000 0.3 %		\$ 30,000 0.3 %
surplus revenues	\$ 3,946,560 41.5 %	\$ 5,982,074 49.2 %	\$ 2,741,370 28.6 %
	\$ 9,550,000 100.00 %	\$ 12,154,428 100.00 %	\$ 9,592,500 * 100.00 %

Surplus revenues are combined with accumulated surplus revenues from previous years, receipts from bond issues and return on investments; these monies are available for new land acquisitions. As of December 31, 2007 the land bank treasury contained some \$19,300,000 for these purposes; the land bank is currently in active negotiations to purchase various properties whose aggregate value exceeds \$50,000,000.

The asterisk (*) indicates the land bank's projection for revenues between July 1, 2007 and June 30, 2008.

Transfer Fee Revenues

2007 transfer fee revenues were:

	transfer fee revenues received January 1, 2007 through <u>December 31, 2007</u>	percent of total
Aquinnah Fund	\$ 209,985.50	1.9%
Chilmark Fund	\$ 1,020,817.22	9.4%
Edgartown Fund	\$ 2,356,146.35	21.6%
Oak Bluffs Fund	\$ 597,016.39	5.5%
Tisbury Fund	\$ 810,075.78	7.4%
West Tisbury Fund	\$ 463,017.25	4.2%
<i>Central Fund</i>	<u>\$ 5,457,058.49</u>	<u>50.0%</u>
	\$ 10,914,116.98	100.0%

This represented a 6.6% decrease over the previous year.

Commissioners and Staff

The land bank commission comprises the following members: Pamela Goff, Chilmark; Glenn Hearn, West Tisbury; Carlos Montoya, Aquinnah; Edith Potter, commonwealth; Thomas Robinson, Tisbury; Priscilla Sylvia, Oak Bluffs; and Edward Vincent, Jr., Edgartown. The year-round land bank staff comprises the following individuals: Matthew Dix, foreman; James Dropick,

conservation land assistant; Jean-Marc Dupon, conservation land assistant; Maureen Hill, administrative assistant; Jeffrey Komarinetz, conservation land assistant; Cynthia Krauss, fiscal officer; James Lengyel, executive director; and Julie Schaeffer, ecologist.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES LENGYEL
Executive Director

MARTHA'S VINEYARD COMMISSION

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
and Citizens of Oak Bluffs:

The Martha's Vineyard Commission is the Island's Regional Planning Agency, with a mandate both to help plan the Island's future and to regulate certain developments of Island-wide impact. The year 2007 saw important progress in the preparation of the long-range plan for the Vineyard's future, improvements to the MVC's review of DRIs, and a broad range of other planning efforts.

The Island Plan: Directed by a group of citizens and supported by MVC planners, The Island Plan's mission is "to chart – in simple but compelling ways – a course to the kind of future that the Vineyard community wants and to design a series of actions to help us navigate that course." The Island Plan will set the stage for local decision-making concerning a whole range of issues such as water quality, housing, traffic and transportation, open space, growth, and economic opportunities.

- **Steering Committee:** The Committee oversees both the content and the process of the plan. Last year, it started working on a critical component of the plan, namely outlining options for better managing development and growth on the Island. This was the topic of a large public forum last summer, and will be a focus for public discussions in the summer of 2008.
- **Work Groups:** Five Work Groups with between 60 and 170 members outlined draft objectives and strategies in the specific topic areas of Energy/Waste, Housing, Livelihood/Commerce, Natural Environment, and Water Resources. Community feedback was solicited through discussion papers, a survey, and a series of well-attended public forums. At year's end, three new Work Groups were set up to focus on Built Environment, Social Environment, and Transportation.
- **Network of Planning Advisors:** By the end of 2007, over five hundred Vineyarders had joined the Network to closely follow the planning process and to give their input at key times through surveys, forums, work groups, and other planning activities.
- **Outreach:** A broad public awareness campaign about the Island Plan included information flyers distributed to all Vineyard homes, exhibits around the Island (Tisbury Street Fair, Ag Fair, grocery stores, etc.), regular newspaper articles and television coverage, and outreach to various organizations and individuals. People responded to several surveys, either on-line or at town libraries. Many

Island Plan activities are broadcast on MVTV. Meeting minutes and reports are available on the plan's website – www.islandplan.org - where people can also exchange ideas through on-line forums.

All Vineyarders are invited to get involved by signing up on the website or calling the MVC.

Transportation: As the Island's Regional Planning Agency, the MVC is responsible for the overall transportation planning of the Island, in association with the Martha's Vineyard Transit Authority, MassHighway, and the Massachusetts Executive Office of Transportation and Public Works.

- **Joint Transportation Committee:** The Commission facilitates the JTC, made up of appointees from each of the towns and the county commission, as well as interested individuals. The JTC meets monthly to coordinate transportation efforts on the Island and to schedule Transportation Improvement Projects funded by MassHighway. Oak Bluffs representatives on the Committee are Richard Combra, Jr. and Greg Coogan. In 2007, the JTC approved a four-year project plan featuring pedestrian safety improvements in downtown Oak Bluffs, and a roundabout at the "blinker" intersection. The JTC also amended its by-laws and its Public Participation Program in 2007.
- **Regional Transportation Plan:** In 2007, MVC staff, working with the JTC, completed an extensive revision to the Island's RTP, a document updated every four years, to guide transportation activities on the Island. The most significant change in this update is the increased emphasis on improving the bicycling and walking environment as alternatives to increased motor vehicle use.
- **Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee:** This subcommittee of the JTC proposed a list of short-term actions to down-Island towns to raise awareness of bicycle and pedestrian safety issues, prompted the erection of navigational maps at mid-Island intersections of multiuse paths (MUP, the new term for bicycle paths) and produced a map and flyer for local businesses to give to cyclists to highlight safe riding. The committee also met with the town police chiefs regarding legal issues concerning the intersections of MUP with roads and driveways, and focused attention – in conjunction with Oak Bluffs' examination of improving cyclist and pedestrian movement along Sea View Avenue as part of a broader examination by the Oak Bluffs Beach to Boardwalk Task Force.

- **Data Collection:** The MVC annually records traffic counts at 46 locations. In 2007 the entire historical traffic count database became available on the MVC website. This data is used by many groups and individuals for defining needs, measuring trends, reviewing development of regional impact proposals and funding improvement projects.
- **Town Support:** MVC staff participated in meetings with the Oak Bluffs and Edgartown Traffic and Parking Committees. For example MVC staff expertise was used in Oak Bluffs for the Harbor and North Bluff projects, the Beach to Boardwalk revitalization effort, redesigning Lake Avenue along the Harbor, and surveying road segments to evaluate potential new multi-use paths.
- **Drawbridge:** The MVC provides support to the Lagoon Pond Drawbridge Committee, which in 2007 provided input into MassHighway design for the temporary drawbridge, to allow construction to begin by year's end. The committee continues to make sure the Island plays an important role in the design process for the permanent drawbridge, which also got underway last year.

Emergency Planning: The MVC completed preparation of a Pre-Disaster Mitigation Plan for the Island, in coordination with the towns, which identifies strategies to reduce losses of life and property in the event of a natural disaster such as hurricanes, coastal storms, drought, wildfire or dam failure. Those strategies are now included in the plan as projects which are eligible for 75% federal funding that would otherwise not be available to the towns. Approval of the plan by FEMA is expected in early 2008, in time for the next round of grant opportunities.

Economic Development: The Commission's mandate includes promoting a sound local economy.

- **Studies:** In 2007, the MVC undertook the following studies.
 - *Cost of Living Index for Martha's Vineyard 2006*, published in April, measures relative differences among urban areas in the cost of consumer goods and services for a segment of the population. It showed that the Vineyard's index, measured in the summer of 2006, was 57% higher than the national averages of prices for consumer goods and services from all participating urban areas in a particular quarter (12% higher than Boston).
 - *Leakage Analysis of the Martha's Vineyard Economy: Increasing Prosperity through Greater Self-Reliance*, published in August, looks at how much spending in various categories took place on the Vineyard, and outlines possible strategies for

supporting local business and employment by increasing local spending.

- The MVC commissioned preparation of a *Martha's Vineyard Economic Profile*, which outlines the Island's current situation, emerging trends, and main challenges for the future. A draft version is being reviewed by the Island Plan Livelihood and Commerce Work Group and will be published early in 2008.
- **Farming and Fishing:** The Commission continues to help support efforts to promote locally grown agricultural and aqua-cultural products. The MVC, in coordination with the Dukes County Commission, MV Agricultural Society, Massachusetts Dept. of Agricultural Resources and the USDA Pilgrim RC&D, sponsored an Agricultural Commission Workshop in November 2007.
- **Workshops:** The MVC continues to work with the South Eastern Economic Development Corporation (SEED) in addition to the Martha's Vineyard Chamber of Commerce, Service Core of Retired Executives (SCORE), and local banks in sponsoring free Entrepreneurial Workshops in April 2007.
- **Census:** MVC staff provided Island towns an outline of options to participate in the 2010 Census Local Update of Census Addresses Program, the first set of preparations to ensure that the Island population is properly counted in the upcoming Census, so towns are eligible for our fair share of future grants.
- **Information:** The MVC annually responds to more than 400 requests for economic and demographic information pertaining to the Island.

Water Quality: The Commission continues its scientific and community work related to protecting water quality on the Vineyard.

- **Water Testing:** The Commission continued to carry out extensive water testing of Island coastal ponds to qualify them for inclusion in the Massachusetts Estuaries Project with the most complete water quality dataset possible, allowing them to carry out detailed modeling of these ponds to indicate how extensive the water quality problems are, and how effective various possible improvement measures would be. The Commission is the primary source for land use data for the Estuaries Project to produce nitrogen loading computer models.
- **Water Alliance and Associations:** The Commission is an active participant in the Martha's Vineyard Water Alliance and all pond advisory or support groups and participated in many presentations to

help increase public awareness of water quality issues; some of these were related to a ballot question supporting greater efforts to protect fragile coastal ponds, which was passed in all four towns where it was on the ballot.

Coastal Management and Harbor Planning: MVC staff participated in the Barrier Beach Task Force, particularly in discussions of development of a long range beach management plan for Sylvia State Beach, as well as in discussions of routine management issues.

Affordable Housing: The Commission continues to assist the towns in providing updates about recent legislation, state funding and other grant opportunities, state programs, and workshops. The MVC coordinated Island participation in the Cape Light Compact and Massachusetts Technology Collaborative's Workshop on Green Affordable Homes Program; four community housing projects applied for grant funding.

Streamlined Permitting: The Commission undertook a comprehensive analysis of development permitting processes on the Island. It collaborated with the Massachusetts Association of Regional Planning Agencies on a guide to best permitting practices in the Commonwealth. Staff met with town regulatory boards and staff, property owners and developers, environmental organizations, and other stakeholders to identify possible process enhancements within towns and at the MVC. The report of this work will be completed in January 2008.

Island-Wide Cooperation: The Commission facilitates collaboration on many fronts.

- **All-Island Board Meetings:** The MVC coordinated regular meetings of all Island Planning Boards, Conservation Commissions, public and private non-profit affordable housing groups, and GIS users, promoting the exchange of issues and ideas across town boundaries and providing informational opportunities with the use of guest speakers.
- **Education and Training:** The Commission hosted several courses and information sessions on a variety of topics of interest to town officials, the business community, and to members of the general public: *Monster Homes and Tear Downs, Planned Production Affordable Housing Plans, Vested Rights and Nonconforming Uses and Structures, Roles and Responsibilities of Planning Boards and Zoning Boards of Appeals, and Pocket Neighborhoods.*

Developments of Regional Impact: In addition to its planning work, the Commission continues to invest considerable time and effort in its regulatory reviews of DRIs. This review generally results in considerable improvements to projects to mitigate their environmental, traffic, and other impacts on the Vineyard.

- **Projects Reviewed:** In 2007 the Commission reviewed 27 projects across the Island, of which 16 were approved with conditions, none were denied, 6 were remanded back to their town without DRI review, 1 was withdrawn, 2 were granted extensions, and 2 are on hold. Five more are in progress.
- **DRI Policies:** The MVC is preparing policies, intended to clarify and simplify the DRI process for applicants and the public. In 2007, the Commission adopted an interim Water Quality Policy, and prepared a draft Energy Policy outlining basic principles for energy efficiency. Staff began work on a Transportation Policy.

Districts of Critical Planning Concern: The Commission designated one new DCPC and enlarged the limits of another one.

- **Aquinnah Energy District:** The Aquinnah Board of Selectmen nominated the entire town as an Energy District and the Commission made the designation. The MVC is assisting the Town's investigation of energy options and development of appropriate regulations to achieve goals of efficiency and to promote renewable energy while protecting the unique rural character and scenic values, which are so important in Aquinnah.
- **Island Road District – Special Ways:** The Edgartown Planning Board nominated several new Special Ways to be included in the Island Road District. The Commission voted the designation as presented, affording DCPC protection to Pennywise Path, Ben Tom's Road, Middle Line Path, Tar Kiln Path and Watcha Path.

Specific Activities for the Town of Oak Bluffs

Water Resources

- The MVC Water Resource Planner assisted the Oak Bluffs Shellfish Department with water quality sampling in Sengekontacket and Farm Ponds.
- MVC staff provided assistance to UMass Massachusetts Estuaries Project personnel for a summer sampling program in Lagoon Pond and Oak Bluffs Harbor. This involves 10 sample stations sampled at two-week intervals during July and August.
- MVC staff monitored the water table elevation in two observation wells on a monthly basis.
- As part of a Wetlands Restoration Project underway in Farm Pond, MVC staff mapped the perimeter of eelgrass beds using Global Positioning System mapping and GIS map production.

- Staff collected eelgrass samples from Farm Pond and Major's Cove to assess the health of the eelgrass by examining the dry weight of the leaf blades and the coating algae growing on the foliage.
- MVC prepared a 2005 water quality data report that includes data from Farm Pond and Sengekontacket.

Geographic Information Systems

- MVC staff produced Hospital Area Maps at Selectmen's request.
- Staff created Sea Level Rise Maps for the Conservation Commission.

Regulatory Activities

- **DRI Review:** In Oak Bluffs, the Commission reviewed eight DRIs. The YMCA was approved. Balance Restaurant was remanded back to the Town. Oyster Bar is on hold. The Martha's Vineyard Hospital's certificate of occupancy was approved. Viera Park, the Nova Vida Church, the Moujabber

garage, and the Church of Jesus Christ of the Latter Day Saints church are all currently under review.

More detail about these activities as well as the ongoing work of the MVC is available on the Commission's website: www.mvcommission.org.

Respectfully submitted,

MIMI DAVISSON,
Oak Bluffs Elected Member-at-Large

RICHARD TOOLE,
Oak Bluffs Elected Member-at-Large

JOHN BRECKENRIDGE,
Member appointed by the
Oak Bluffs Board of Selectmen

MARK LONDON
Executive Director



VARIOUS REPORTS

DUKES COUNTY REGIONAL HOUSING AUTHORITY

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
and Residents of Oak Bluffs:

The Dukes County Regional Housing Authority provides affordable year-round rentals and rental assistance, homebuyer training and lottery support, waitlist management, monitoring services and advocacy and collaboration with town committees, island organizations, local businesses and concerned individuals working to create the housing options needed to maintain our Island community.

This past year in **Oak Bluffs**, the Housing Authority support the Town in planning the renovation of the old **Library** into rental apartments and retail space with planned service as manager of the property on the Town's behalf; partnered with the Town and other community organizations in development discussions of **Bradley Square** ownership opportunities; continued to own and provide property management services at **Lagoon Heights**; and administered 14 **Rental Assistance** subsidies in Town including 4 through Community Preservation Act funding.

On July 1st, 2007 Oak Bluffs joined the other Island Towns in utilizing Community Preservation Act funding to add town based subsidies to those provided through the Island Affordable Housing Fund. The Housing Authority now facilitates **68 Rental Assistance subsidies** across the Island. The Housing Authority also offered **57 units of rental housing** on nine properties in 4 towns; oversaw the **32 Accessory Apartment** program in West Tisbury; assisted with the rent-up of Edgartown's **Morgan Woods Apartments**; assisted Housing Committees in Aquinnah, Oak Bluffs and West Tisbury in their development of rental opportunities; maintained a **Rental Housing Waitlist** numbering close to 300 applicants; and partnered with other organizations that offer assistance with rent, utilities and apartment rehabilitation to Island renters and their landlords.

The Housing Authority's support of homeownership opportunities this past year included lottery participation certification, lottery preparation and **Homebuyer**

Education for the **lotteries** of the 4 Island Housing Trust in Tisbury and a homesite offered by the Town of Aquinnah; preparation for the lottery of 9 homebuyer opportunities at **Jenney Way** in Edgartown; assistance with homebuyer opportunities planned by Affordable Housing Committees in Tisbury, Chilmark, and Oak Bluffs; and processing of 21 referrals under Edgartown's **Demolition Delay** By-law. We also maintain the **Island Affordable Homebuyer Clearinghouse** to publicize homebuyer opportunities and the **Martha's Vineyard Subsidized Housing Inventory** to assist in assuring future protection of existing affordability restrictions. This year the Inventory was used to assist Tisbury and Aquinnah tax assessors in their **assessments** of affordable properties in their towns.

The Housing Authority manages the **Vineyard Housing Office** on State Road in Vineyard Haven as a clearinghouse for rental and homeownership opportunities and a focus for islanders working together on housing issues. The VHO currently is home to the Housing Authority, the Island Housing Trust, the Island Affordable Housing Fund, and Habitat for Humanity of Martha's Vineyard and offers a website, www.vineyardhousing.org, as a comprehensive resource for affordable housing on Martha's Vineyard.

The DCRHA Board of Directors:

ERNIE MENDENHALL, Chair, *West Tisbury*
HARVEY BETH, Vice Chair, *Oak Bluffs*
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ZELDA GAMSON, *Chilmark*
RICHARD SKIDMORE, *Aquinnah*
LEO FRAME, *Representative at Large*

DAVID VIGNEAULT, Executive Director
TERRI KEECH, Administrator
LINDA JOHNSON, Administrative Coordinator
JAMES O'BRIEN, Property Manager

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

To the Citizens of the Town of Oak Bluffs:

The Oak Grove Cemetery is a significant asset to the Town of Oak Bluffs. School groups, relatives and residents use it to learn about the Island's history.

Gail Landers again planted over 275 geraniums in time for Memorial Day. The Highway Department assisted her with fallen limbs, snow plowing and maintenance.

Sadly it was much busier at the cemetery in 2007 with nineteen burials. There was an increase in the sale of cemetery lots with seven cremation lots sold and 35 quarter lots.

In 2008 we hope to use the new GPS mapping equipment purchased by the Town to create a definitive map of the cemetery.

We give our thanks to Gail Landers and the Highway Department personnel for their hard work in keeping Oak Grove Cemetery so well maintained.

Respectfully submitted,

JESSE B. LAW III, Chairman
JAMES MASEDA
MELANIE BIOLDEAU



HISTORICAL COMMISSION

To the Oak Bluffs Board of Selectmen:

The OBHC requested and once again received funding from the Peter Norton Family Trust to produce 20,000 Historic Walking Tours. This wonderful publication is provided free at the Information Booth and is given to all inns and hotels in Oak Bluffs.

During the month of May in 2007, the Oak Bluffs Historical Commission presented four weekly programs at the Oak Bluffs library meeting room entitled, "History Repeats Itself".

The first program on the 9th of May, featured Martha's Vineyard Campmeeting resident, Al Hart. Al recalled his 97 summers at the Campmeeting beginning at age two. The audience was filled with friends and neighbors who enjoyed an evening of reminiscing and the chance to recall some of their own fond memories.

On May 16th, David Wilson told the story entitled, "Old Soldiers Never Die....", about a brave band of Oak Bluffs citizens who fought to restore and preserve the statue of a Civil War Soldier that currently stands at the gateway to our community in Ocean Park.

On May 23rd, David Medeiros and Donna Leon of Phillips Hardware, drew a standing room only crowd to talk about the history of Circuit Avenue. They brought some wonderful photos, memorabilia and personal memories to the evening's presentation. The best part was

that everyone there had a story to tell and it turned out to be a very lively discussion!

On May 30th, Lindsey Lee presented a film that featured the late Dean K. Denniston, Sr. entitled, "A person of color -- an Oak Bluffs childhood". This wonderful film documented the joys and sorrows of being a minister's son and the sting of racial prejudice he felt growing up in Oak Bluffs.

The OBHC was thrilled with the success of this program and is considering making it an annual event.

The Commission reviewed several properties slated for demolition under the Demolition Delay By-law. One property was delayed for three months.

This year, the OBHC received funding to begin updating the inventory of historic properties in Oak Bluffs. It is hoped that this project can be completed in two years.

Respectfully submitted,

RENEE BALTER, Chairman

Members:

JOYCE DRESSER

PAM MELROSE

ALISON SHAW

PRISCILLA SYLVIA

SUSAN THOMPSON

DAVID WILSON

OAK BLUFFS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
and Residents of Oak Bluffs:

The Board of Selectmen created and appointed the present Community Development Council in 2005. The Community Development Council (CDC) is an advisory group reporting to the Board of Selectmen (BOS) on matters related to the future of the town as contained in the 418 Community Development Plan (CDP) report: growth; quality of life; open space and natural resources; economic development; affordable housing; and traffic. The CDC will work with other town boards and commissions to address these issues of the future and act as a resource to the **BOS**.

The CDC has:

- Researched and recommended passage of the Community Preservation Act.
- Wrote the By-law for the town Community Preservation Committee.
- Researched and recommended amending the town's Home Business By-law.
- Wrote the present amended town Home Business By-law.
- Headed the Oak Bluffs Boardwalk to Beach Task Force: coordinating various town committees, commissions, and concerned citizens to develop a

master plan for the revitalization of our town beaches from the North Bluff to Farm Pond.

- Presented to the Board of Selectmen the "Seaview Revitalization Concept Master Plan".

The CDC is currently:

- Working on the Cost of Community Services analysis to help the Finance Committee, Board of Selectmen and citizens make sound financial decisions to determine where revenues are best allocated.
- Researching the highest and best use of the former town hall.
- Monitoring and coordinating the various town boards and committees in implementing the "Seaview Revitalization Concept Master Plan".

Respectfully submitted,

TERRY APPENZELLAR
PRISCILLA SYLVIA
RENEE BALTER
NANCY PHILLIPS (recorder)
IONA PRESSLEY
RICHARD WESTCOTT
ALISON SHAW
JAMES WESTERVELT

COMMUNITY PRESERVATION ACT

Honorable Board of Selectmen and
Citizens of Oak Bluffs

Last year was the inaugural year of the Community Preservation Act (CPA) in Oak Bluffs, having been approved by voters in 2005. The CPA raises funds from a three percent surcharge on real estate taxes matched by a grant from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Funds are expended in three areas: community housing, open space and recreation, and historical preservation. The role of the Community Preservation Committee (CPC) is to evaluate proposals for projects in these three areas and to recommend to town meeting those projects which the committee considers to have the highest priority and which meet state guidelines for the program, while staying in the financial resources available.

Oak Bluffs voters approved the spending on eight projects last year including:

- Mini Grant Program for denitrifying septic systems (\$20,000) A plan to provide incentives to reduce nitrogen loading in coastal waters. The program works to protect some of Oak Bluffs' greatest assets: Sengekontacket, Farm and Lagoon Ponds
- East Chop Lighthouse Restoration (\$140,000) The Martha's Vineyard Museum's request tied in with a similar request to voters in Edgartown to restore its lighthouse. Simultaneous funding for both projects brought about a cost savings.
- Farm Pond Invasive Species Mapping (\$10,000) The proposal to help protect Oak Bluffs' ponds ties in with the CPA's open space initiative and the committee's vision statement to protect our future.
- Hartford Park Restoration (\$30,000) A rehabilitation of one of the town's neglected open spaces.
- Rental Conversion Program (\$24,000) CPA members took note of fellow members affiliated with affordable housing committees and their endorsement of the rental program.
- Seaview Avenue Fencing (50,000) Money was used toward planning, engineering and permitting goals along the waterfront.
- Veira Park Baseball Facility (200,000) The project is consistent with the goals of the committee's Vision

Statement to offer recommendations that preserve our heritage, provide for our families and protect our future.

- Library Conversion Project (\$176,000). Approved at last fall's Special Town Meeting toward converting the old Oak Bluffs Library into three housing units and a pharmacy.

This spring has a number of exciting requests for Oak Bluffs voters to consider at Annual Town Meeting, including these proposals:

- Bradley Square (\$400,000) For community housing project in the former Bradley Church on corner of Dukes County and Masonic Avenues.
- Denniston/Bradley Family Collection (\$25,000) Martha's Vineyard Museum and Lindsey Lee are working to archive information and artifacts remaining in former Bradley Church residence.
- Ocean Park Bandstand (\$200,000) to renovate the signature landmark of the town.
- Camp Meeting Association Cupola (\$100,000) for restoration of Tabernacle cupola.
- Rental Conversion Program (\$42,000) Dukes County Regional Housing Authority provides year-round rentals for working class Oak Bluffs families.

The total amount available for consideration at the 2008 Annual Town Meeting is \$843,000.

"The mission of the Oak Bluffs CPC is to offer recommendations for the creation and preservation of open space, historical properties and community housing, thus preserving our heritage, providing for our families and protecting our future."

Respectfully submitted,

STEPHEN DURKEE, Chairman
HARVEY BETH
JOAN HUGHES
MICHAEL MARCHAND
PETER MARTELL
CHARLES ROCK
CHERYLL SASHIN
ALISON SHAW
JAMES WESTERVELT
ADAM WILSON, Administrator

COTTAGE CITY HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

Honorable Board of Selectmen and
Citizens of Oak Bluffs

The Cottage City Historic District Commission (CCHDC) has been very busy over the past year reviewing building projects in the district. It is the mission of the volunteer members of this Commission to act as stewards of our Victorian buildings and the unique architectural heritage of our sea side resort. It is expected that plans for any architectural changes visible from a public way will be presented to the CCHDC for review regarding adherence to historic architectural guidelines.

Homeowners who also value our unique architectural heritage have been understanding and cooperative in completing the application process. The process includes an application package, a presentation and review of the project at one of two monthly scheduled meetings and an appropriate certificate. The process must be followed before any demolition or exterior construction on houses, porches, garages, sheds, fences, signs, walls, post lights, or above grade terraces. The CCHDC architectural guidelines can be found in the Building Inspectors Office. Regularly scheduled meetings are posted at the town hall. Depending upon the complexity or potential impact of a project, a Public Hearing may be held. Public Hearings are advertised in local newspapers, posted at the Town Hall and notices are mailed to abutters.

The members of the CCHDC are empathetic to the balance between historic preservation and financial constraints and work very diligently with applicants to this end. Many homeowners, builders and architects have expressed that initial discussions with the CCHDC have spawned helpful suggestions which have led to a more efficient process. They have thanked the Commission for their insightful design contributions toward a final plan even exceeding the expectations of the applicant.

This year the CCHDC has reviewed over 38 applications for building projects within the district. The Commission issued 16 certificates of appropriateness, 13 certificates of non-applicability, and 1 hardship certificate. Many Public hearings were held throughout the year.

In the near future, the CCHDC architectural guidelines will be posted and applications will be available to download through the Oak Bluffs Town web site.

It has been our pleasure to participate in preserving the unique architectural diversity of the Cottage City Historic District. The CCHDC thanks the Citizens of Oak Bluffs and the Board of Selectmen for having the foresight to protect such a vital component of our sea side town.

Respectfully submitted,

KATHY BURTON, Vice Chair



MARTHA'S VINEYARD CULTURAL COUNCIL

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Martha's Vineyard Cultural Council is part of the Massachusetts Cultural Council's Local Cultural Council program, formed more than a quarter century ago. The MVCC's mission is to promote excellence, access, education and diversity in the arts, humanities and interpretative sciences for the purpose of improving the quality of life for all of the Island's residents.

In the summer and early fall of 2003, the Boards of Selectmen of the six Island Towns created the Martha's Vineyard Cultural Council by combining what had been six Local Cultural Councils into a single regional organization. Each Town appointed three representatives to the newly formed Island-wide Council, which met formally for the first time in November 2003 to re-grant State funds allocated to the six-Town region.

The annual grant meeting on November 4, 2007 was the MVCC's fifth. With a grant application postmark deadline of October 15; an 18-member deliberative body meeting for five hours little more than two weeks later; disapproval letters sent seven days after that; and approval packages mailed by mid-December, it quickly becomes apparent that much of what the Council members do happens during a short, intense period in the fall.

Applicants in the arts, humanities and interpretative sciences can find instructions, program guidelines and forms at www.massculturalcouncil.org, as well as at each Town Hall. The Martha's Vineyard Cultural Council gives priority to projects originating on, and for the benefit of, the Island community.

A grant applicant not based on the Vineyard must have a local partner or host, and off-Island applicants should include a letter of support from their Vineyard sponsor describing how the project would benefit the Island community. In addition, the Martha's Vineyard Cultural Council grants priority to events scheduled to serve primarily the year-round population.

In 2007 the Council received \$24,000 from the Commonwealth for local re-granting. In addition, the Towns of Aquinnah, Chilmark, Edgartown, Oak Bluffs and Tisbury donated \$1,000, \$1,500, \$1,500, \$500 and \$1,000, respectively. Together with unclaimed grant funds from the 2006 cycle, the total awarded was \$35,197.

The MVCC received 40 applications in 2007 and rejected nine of them outright due to lack of proper forms, failures to meet the submission deadline or off-Islanders' having no local sponsors. Of the 31 applications considered at the grant award meeting, all were at least partially funded, with three funded for the entire amount requested.

The amount of the award depended on how well, in the minds of the members, the applicant met the Massachusetts Cultural Council and MVCC criteria.

The projects approved and funded by the MVCC in 2007 were as follows:

History/Natural History

Mass Audubon, Felix Neck Wildlife Sanctuary, <i>Osprey Festival</i>	\$ 700
Marine & Paleobiological Institute, Inc., <i>2008 Lecture</i>	\$ 486
Martha Flanders, Humanitarian Research Project, <i>Storm Years on Everest</i>	\$ 868
Terry Bastian, <i>The Blue Wave Project</i>	\$ 373

Art

Julia Mitchell, <i>Artists' Processes</i>	\$2,506
Martha's Vineyard Art Association, <i>Permanent Collection Exhibition/Restoration</i> ..	\$ 699

Theater/Puppetry

Vineyard Playhouse, <i>4th Grade Theatre Project</i> ..	\$2,189
April Thanhauser, <i>Second Puppetry Festival</i>	\$ 981

Dance

Abby Bender, <i>Built on Stilts</i>	\$2,385
The Yard, <i>Bridging Difference Thru the Arts</i>	\$2,775

Music

KCT Concerts, <i>Traditional Music Concert Series</i> ..	\$2,341
The Performer's Workshop, <i>Performance Workshop</i> \$	629
Martha's Vineyard Chamber Music Society, <i>Off-season Concerts</i>	\$1,586
Aquinnah Public Library, <i>Aquinnah Summer Celebration</i>	\$ 905
Boenel Productions, <i>Build on Stilts Original Music</i> ..	\$ 477

Film Screen/Video Production

Silver Screen Film Society, <i>3rd Annual</i> <i>Martha's Vineyard International Film Festival</i> \$	1,888
Silver Screen Film Society, <i>Film and Event Programming</i>	\$1,128
EMVY Media, <i>Children of the Light</i>	\$1,015

Poetry/Literature

Cynthia Riggs, <i>Martha's Vineyard Writing</i>	\$ 500
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Language/Life Stories

Lynn Ditchfield, <i>Nightmares & Dreams: Immigrant Voices</i>	\$1,174
Susan Klein, <i>Spice of Life:</i> <i>Memoir Organization & Writing</i>	\$1,487

Cultural Festivals

Polly Hill Arboretum, <i>Summer Solstice Celebration 2008</i>	\$ 638
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Aquinnah Cultural Center,
Native Americans Artisans Festival\$1,415
 Island Waldorf Community,
Family, Festivals & Fun\$ 631
 Martha's Vineyard Museum
et alia, Cultural Variety Adventure\$2,000

PASS Grants

Chilmark Pub Library for the Chilmark School,
Fabulists at The Vineyard Playhouse\$ 300
 The Tisbury" School, *Boston Symphony Orchestra* . \$ 570
 The Tisbury School,
New Bedford Whaling Museum\$ 555
 The Edgartown School, *Plimoth Plantation*\$ 377
 The Edgartown School, *Nutcracker Gala*\$ 875
 MV Public Charter School,
Museum of Fine Arts, Boston\$ 744

In mid-June the MV Cultural Council held its first community input meeting. With an overarching goal of enhancing the cultural life of the Island for its residents, the Council explored ways to make its program better known to the public, including outreach on MVTv and setting up a Website. At the same time the public told members what they needed and wanted from the Council.

In September the MVCC hosted a well-attended grant workshop, whose fruits became apparent the following month when the 2007 applications arrived. Among them were a number of first-time applicants. Also of note was the Cultural Variety Vacation Adventure proposal, which had its origins at the workshop itself and eventually involved six Island institutions. Another grant workshop is planned for September 2008.

Lastly, the members of the MV Cultural Council wish to acknowledge the special contributions from the Town of

West Tisbury. Town Treasurer Katherine Logue and Town Accountant Bruce Stone have graciously processed the financial transactions of the Council since its regionalization in 2003. In addition, the Up-Island Council on Aging has dependably provided the Howes House as a handicapped-accessible, centrally located, and very welcoming meeting place. For these gifts we are indeed grateful.

Respectfully submitted,

DAWN GREELEY, Chair

Martha's Vineyard Cultural Council 2007 Membership

Aquinnah	Oak Bluffs
JOAN LE LACHEUR	SANDRA GRYMES
MOLLY PURVES	FRANCINE KELLY
PENNY WEINSTEIN	HOLLY NADLER
Chilmark	Tisbury
CHRIS DREYER, Co-Chair	WIET BACHELLER, Treas.
BONNIE GEORGE	JEAN HAY
DAWN GREELEY, Chair	JOANNE HORGAN
Edgartown	West Tisbury
NIS KILDEGAARD	LESLIE BAKER
JOHN WALTER	SHELTON BANK
PIA WEBSTER, Secretary	ANN MILLER MALEY
Ex-Officio	
CATHY LEWIS	
DAN WATERS	

CAPE LIGHT COMPACT

To the Board of Selectmen:

The Cape Light Compact was formed in 1997 following two years of study and votes of town boards of selectmen and town council. It is organized through a formal inter-governmental agreement signed by all 21 member towns and Barnstable and Dukes counties. The purpose of the Cape Light Compact is to advance the interests of consumers in a competitive electric supply market, including the promotion of energy efficiency. Each participating municipality has a representative on the Compact Governing Board, which sets policy and works with staff, technical and legal support to advance the Cape Light Compact programs.

POWER SUPPLY

In 2007, the Cape Light Compact (Compact) provided energy to residents and businesses in accordance with a competitive electricity supply contract negotiated by the Compact with ConEdison *Solutions*. Currently, prices are approximately 14% to 15% lower than they were in the beginning of 2006. The Compact continues to work towards stable pricing for consumers in an environment of extreme price volatility.

As of December 2007, the Compact had 3,767 electric accounts in the Town of Oak Bluffs on its energy supply. Over \$21,000 in savings were achieved in 2007 for these accounts, when compared to the default service price offered by NSTAR.

ENERGY EFFICIENCY

From January to October 2007, rebates and other efficiency incentive programs provided to the town of Oak

Bluffs by the Compact totaled approximately \$19,887 and brought savings to 79 participants of \$8,331 or about 41,656 kilowatt-hours of energy saved for 2007.

Funding for the energy efficiency programs¹ (i.e. energy audits for homes and businesses, rebates on the purchase of energy efficient appliances and energy education in our schools) comes from a monthly customer “energy conservation” charge (\$0.0025 cents multiplied by the number of kilowatt hours used during the month) that appears on each customer’s electric bill.

Other Cape Light Compact Efforts Include:

- The Cape Light Compact continues to support energy education to the Oak Bluffs School through classroom visits, materials and teacher workshops.
- One PV system at the Oak Bluffs School as part of the Solarize Our Schools program produced over 2,918 k Wh of electricity and avoided over 5,036 lob of CO₂ from entering the atmosphere.
- Three Low-Income homes were retrofitted for a reduction in energy usage and increased comfort.
- Two Oak Bluffs businesses had their lighting upgraded and one business had energy efficiency controls installed on its commercial refrigeration units.

Respectfully submitted,

ALICE BUTLER
Oak Bluffs Representative

MARTHA'S VINEYARD REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY

To the Board of Selectmen
and the Citizens of Oak Bluffs:

Fiscal Year 2007 was the second year of the two-year pilot program and once again, it proved to be a success. With the support of the Towns, the VTA will continue to operate twelve off-season routes in Fiscal Year 2008.

Fiscal Year 2007 the VTA saw an overall 12% increase in passenger boardings over FY 2006, which can be primarily attributed to the continued growth of off-season ridership (October 2006 through May 2007). Passenger boarding analysis shows a 33% increase in the FY07 off-season ridership from FY06.

I would like to thank our operating company, Transit Connection, Inc., and their employees for their continued commitment as we now go into our sixth year of operation together. Collectively, we have made major improvements to the overall operation of our transit system. I would also like to express my appreciation to all of the Town and local boards for their cooperation and support, as well as my staff for their devout commitment to providing quality

public service. And of course, I must thank the community and our passengers for their continued support of the VTA.

Respectfully submitted,

ANGELA E. GRANT
Administrator

Advisory Board

ALICE BUTLER, Chairman
Oak Bluffs

LEONARD JASON
Chilmark

KEN JOHNSON
Edgartown

JUNE MANNING
Aquinnah

JOHN ALLEY
West Tisbury

CONNIE TEIXEIRA
Tisbury



**Passenger Boardings By Month
FY 2003 through FY 2007 Comparison**

	FY2003	FY2004	FY2005	FY2006	FY2007
July	227,574	216,983	200,671	210,985	218,789
August	246,420	228,092	214,511	235,088	235,105
September	79,761	83,448	89,664	103,252	98,051
October	32,364	40,334	44,558	39,553	51,790
November	6,188	10,659	12,894	14,846	20,081
December	6,740	7,221	9,173	11,121	16,424
January	4,593	6,114	7,008	9,954	14,605
February	3,823	6,694	8,013	9,471	12,987
March	6,194	7,898	10,741	12,450	18,050
April	12,943	16,943	17,843	21,832	25,265
May	39,849	48,520	43,891	53,129	59,461
June	<u>95,282</u>	<u>102,598</u>	<u>110,243</u>	<u>99,557</u>	<u>133,831</u>
Total	761,731	775,504	769,210	821,238	914,439



“The Lift”

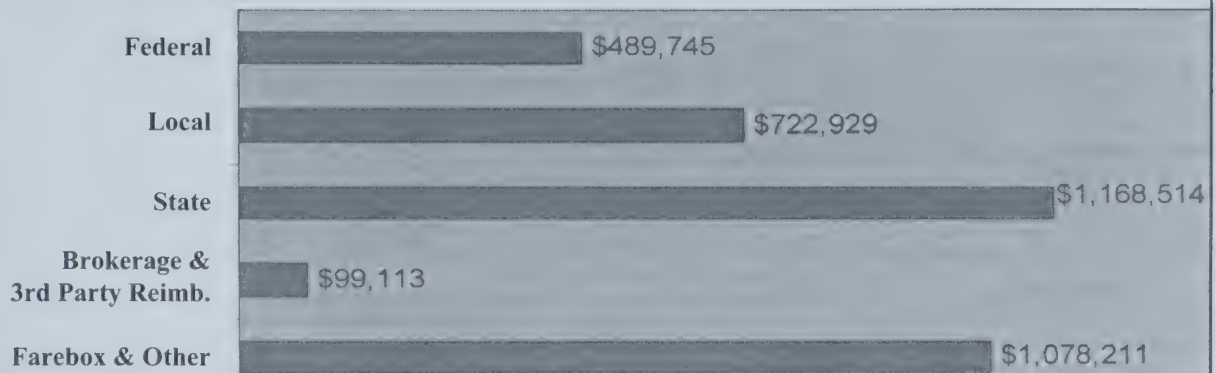
The Martha’s Vineyard Regional Transit Authority provides year-round paratransit service to the Island’s six (6) towns. The VTA also provides weekly van service to

Boston area medical facilities. The following is a breakdown of *Lift* trips by purpose:

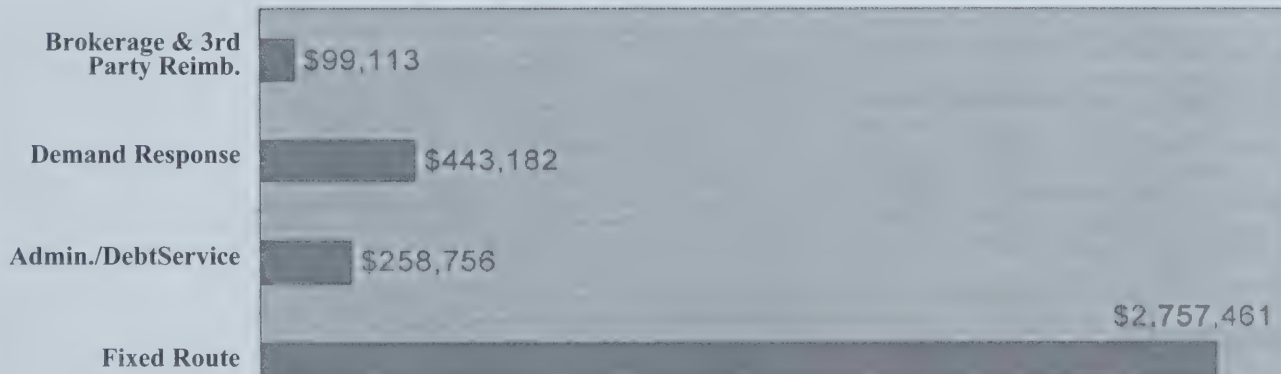
Trip Purpose	Trips
Medical	3,711
Nutrition	1,234
Social / Recreational	8,820
Shopping / Other	643
Total Trips	14,408

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Telephone Numbers

All offices in Town Hall can be reached by dialing 208-693-7726. The numbers will be the extension of the Department and individual name.

The following numbers are for the Town Hall offices.

208-693-7726 Auditor

208-693-7727 Animal Control

208-693-0017 Fire Department

208-693-0019 Highway Department

208-693-4209 Council on Aging

208-693-0444 Health Services

208-693-0012 Highway

208-693-0433 Library

208-693-0232 Police Department

208-693-0750 Police Department

208-693-0232 Public Works Department

208-693-0243 Waterworks Department

The number is 208-693-7726

Telephone Numbers

All offices in **Town Hall** can be accessed by dialing **508-693-3554**, the operator will list the extensions by Department and individual name.

The offices outside Town Hall are as follows:

Ambulance	508-693-5380
Animal Control	508-693-0857
Fire Department	508-693-0077
Highway Department	508-693-0072
Council on Aging	508-693-4509
Harbormaster	508-693-9644
Highway	508-693-0072
Library	508-693-9433
Parks Department	508-693-6535
Police Department	508-693-0750
Shellfish Department	508-693-0072
Wastewater Department	508-693-0343

Fax number is 508-696-7736

